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NEW WAR IN CHINA UNLIKELY.

**CHRISTIAN GENERAL
SATISFIES.**

**A KUOMINCHUN GENERAL IN
HANKOW.**

NO FURTHER ANXIETY.

Hankow, Apr. 11. Mr. T. V. Soong, who is to undertake an examination of the Hankow financial system with a view to reorganisation, arrived in Hankow this afternoon.

An unexpected arrival is General Han Fu-chu, the officer commanding the Kuominchun forces which penetrated the Hupeh borders and gave rise to so much apprehension.

General Han Fu-chu reached Hankow on the Peking-Hankow Railway at midnight last night, and this morning he paid a visit to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and officially placed himself under the orders of the Central Government. Rumours of dissension between Chiang and Feng are now set at rest.

Feng Unwell.

General Han Fu-chu says that Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang is far from well and that it will take some time before the "Christian" General will be able to resume duties.—*Reuter.*

Reliable Chinese sources in Hankow confirm the suggestion that strained relations between Feng and Chiang no longer exist. Feng has done everything conceivable to convince Chiang of his bona fides, and it seems that a satisfactory understanding has been reached.

Railway Importance.

Not only has Feng issued orders for the withdrawal of troops from Hupeh, but he has also released a large quantity of rolling-stock which he seized when he commenced the mobilisation of his forces on the Honan-Hupeh border.

The opinion is expressed that if Feng was contemplating anything but peace, the rolling-stock would not have been released. The representatives of Feng in Hankow are to leave for Nanking with Chiang on Monday according to present arrangements.

Hankow Quiet.

Conditions in Hankow are rapidly returning to normal, most of the government offices having reopened under new administrative heads.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is returning to Nanking on Monday and it is believed that a large number of Nanking troops will also be withdrawn.

Reports from Nanking show that the Central Government is prepared to resume normal functioning, the Wuhan campaign being regarded as finished.

Getting to Work at Last.

For the first time since its establishment as an organ of Government, the Control Yuan, of which Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai is the Chairman, is to be officially opened. Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai is now in Shanghai and it is anticipated that he will undertake his duties immediately on his return to Nanking.

In the quaint English of official Nanking, the Control Yuan is the highest supervisory organ of the National Government, and is charged with the powers of impeachment and auditing. The object of the Yuan is to prevent graft and malfeasance on the part of Government officials. It is divided into auditing and impeachment departments.

War in Szechuan.

Large bodies of the retreating Kwangsi forces are reported to have crossed the Szechuan border, and there is a strong suggestion that they are joining up with General Yang Sen, of Wanhsien fame, with a view to an attack on Chungking and Chengtu.

General Liu Hsiang, commanding the Government forces in Szechuan, has asked Marshal Chiang Kai-shek for reinforcements.

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KWANGSI INVASION OF CANTON?

**WANG SHAO-HUNG VIEWED
WITH SUSPICION.**

SIGNIFICANT MOVES.

Canton, Apr. 12. In spite of the assurance by General Wang Shao-hung that although Canton has pledged its allegiance to Nanking, he still desires to remain on good terms with the Canton leaders, rumours to the contrary are persistent.

Following the arrival of General Pei Shung-hsi in Wuchow and the collapse of Wuhan, the attitude of General Wang appears to have undergone a change.

It is said that General Wang is now negotiating with General Fan Sheng-sang, urging him to fall into line with the Kwangsi leaders and to despatch his troops to the Kwangtung border for further instructions.

General Wang has also ordered the Kwangsi troops which have been despatched to Hunan to return to the Kwangtung frontier. The Kwangsi troops now stationed in Kwangsi are concentrating at Wuchow awaiting instructions.

These military movements are regarded in some circles as a sign that the Kwangsi leaders are planning an attack on Canton. It is stated that General Wang has ordered the re-establishment of the 8th Military Headquarters at Wuchow for directing operations.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

**PIRATE LAUNCHES
CAPTURED?**

**SEQUEL TO SUSPICIOUS
MOVEMENTS.**

NOW HELD AT CANTON.

Reports reaching the Colony from Canton seem to indicate that a Chinese gunboat has been successful in capturing two pirate launches with about 100 men on board.

It will be recalled that at about daylight on Sunday morning the Chinese freight steamer San Sai Kai whilst on a trip from Hongkong to Wuchow encountered two launches at Kamchuk not far ahead of the vessel, in such a position as to block the steamer's progress. The captain became suspicious and blew three blasts, with the result that the launches got together and after a hurried consultation between those on board they moved away.

The captain of the San Sai Kai gathered the impression that the launches were up to no good, and the fact that they moved off was attributed to the circumstance that the steamer was a freighter and had very little aboard that was worth the pirates' risk in attempting to get aboard. On arrival at Wuchow, he reported the matter to the Chinese authorities.

This morning it is reported that these two launches were yesterday seen tied up alongside a Chinese gunboat off Canton, and it is therefore presumed that the naval boat, acting on instructions, kept a watch for the launches and managed to capture them both.

BRITISH TRADE.

**INCREASE IN IMPORTS AND
EXPORTS.**

London, Apr. 11.

The Board of Trade returns show that the imports for March totalled £38,593,000, this being an increase of £7,244,000 as compared with February.

The exports for the month were of a value of £59,623,000, which is an increase of £2,959,000, as compared with February.—*Reuter.*

WAREHOUSE TRAGEDY.

**TWELVE PEOPLE BURIED
IN DEBRIS.**

Detroit, Apr. 11.

An explosion in a huge four-storey warehouse at Detroit, demolished the premises, and it is feared that at least a dozen persons are buried in the debris.—*Reuter.*

LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE.

**CANTON-HONGKONG
PROJECT.**

**FOUR LINES MOST LIKELY
TO BE LAID.**

OTHER SERVICES TOO.

The creation of a network of long-distance telephone lines throughout Kwangtung has been planned and discussed often, and just as often circumstances have arisen to prevent a start being made towards the realisation of this project. This topic is again raised by the Department of Reconstruction, which has submitted a programme to the Provincial Government proposing the installation of phone services in various stages.

The manifold advantages and convenience offered by such a system of communication are too obvious and well known to need recapitulation. For purposes of administration such ready means of communication are a necessity. If improvement in efficiency is to be looked for, while from the commercial angle such facilities would be an invaluable aid to the development and growth of trade.

Public Enthusiasm.

More information of the popularity of the province have therefore been looking forward with eager anticipation to the time when an efficient and dependable telephone service connecting Canton with the various producing centres of the province will have become a reality and if nothing untoward intervenes to prevent the consummation of present plans it will not be long before these hopes are realised.

The construction of telephone systems is a highly technical matter and the work is both intricate and costly. The laying of lines throughout the province would need a very big sum, far heavier than can be raised or provided for in the current budget. For this reason it is proposed that the services be established between the principal industrial centres first, as these lines would bring more immediate returns.

The Proposed Lines.

Lines radiating from Canton to Hongkong on the south, Swatow on the east, Shuiukwan on the north, Shuihing on the west and Kongmoon on the south-west are planned for the first stage development.

The number of lines to be laid on each route has not yet been decided as it is a difficult problem to estimate the probable demand that the phone service will have to sustain, but tentatively it has been suggested to have four lines between Hongkong and Canton and two lines each on the other routes.

The fees to be charged will probably be 75 cents on the lines to Hongkong, Kongmoon and Shuihing, \$1 to Shuiukwan and \$2 to Swatow.

Big Sum Required.

It is estimated that a sum of approximately a million dollars will be needed to build these lines and the problem of finance is engaging the close attention of the authorities at the moment. It is likely however, that the first lines to be built will be the ones to Hongkong, Canton and Kongmoon, as these are regarded as the lines to carry the heaviest traffic, consequently bringing in the most income.

The responsibility of finding huge sums of money for construction will be lessened somewhat if these lines are completed and put into service before the other projected lines are taken in hand.

Contract Not Fixed.

No information has been released as regards official views on the question of awarding the contracts for the work, but it would be but logical if the firm that is now building the automatic telephone system for Canton city is entrusted with the task of putting up the long distance lines. It is a task of no small magnitude, and as we have said, one that requires considerable skill and resources if satisfaction and dependability are to be attained. Expert telephone construction engineers are already engaged in the work of putting up the automatic system, and substantial economy may be effected if advantage is taken of this opportunity to make use of the skill and talent that is now available in this city.—*Canton Gazette.*

BRITISH NATIONAL WEALTH.

**MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED
MILLIONAIRES.**

ENGROSSING FIGURES.

London, Apr. 11.

Some engrossing figures are revealed by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in their annual report, for the year ended March 31st, though it is disclosed that there has been an appreciable reduction in the national income.

The gross income for the year under review was estimated at £2,904,000, which is the lowest since the end of the war year, 1918-1919. This figure was reduced by exemptions and allowances (in respect of income tax) to £1,300,000,000, and the net produce to the Exchequer was £228,000,000, an average of 23.58 pence on each pound sterling of actual income. This

"SOUTHERN CROSS"
AIRMEN.

Reported to be Alive
and Well.

NO NEWS OF SEARCHERS.

Sydney, Apr. 12.

Captain Kingsford Smith, Mr. Ulm, and the other two occupants of the "Southern Cross," who have been missing for twelve days, have been found. They are all alive and well.

There is as yet no further news of Lieut. Keith Anderson and his pilot, Richard Hitchcock, who went out in search of the "Southern Cross" on Monday and are now themselves missing.—*Reuter.*

was the lowest for the last ten years.

The report also shows that there are between 500 and 600 millionaires in Great Britain.

Two hundred and ninety-nine people are in receipt of annual incomes of between £50,000 and £75,000.

Ninety-seven people have incomes ranging between £75,000 and £100,000 per annum.

One hundred and forty-seven people have incomes in excess of £100,000 per annum.

The estimated number of individuals with total incomes above the exemption limit was 4,650,000, an increase of 150,000 on the preceding year.

Of these, 2,400,000 were entirely relieved from tax by the operations of abatements and allowances, leaving about 2,250,000 chargeable with tax.—*British Wireless.*

**SHANGHAI BILLIARDS
CHAMPIONSHIP.**

**CAPT. BARRETT LOSES AFTER
KEEN TUSSELE.**

Shanghai, Apr. 12.

Mr. Pennell, the well-known local billiards player, defeated Captain E. I. M. Barrett in the Shanghai Championship by 2,000 to 1,818, after a great battle marked by brilliant play on the part of both men.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

**CHINESE STEAMERS
RESUME.**

**CARGO BEING WORKED
AT PUKOW.**

It is reported from Nanking that Chinese steamers have resumed normal sailings and that cargo is again being worked at Pukow.—*Naval Wireless.*

construction engineers are already engaged in the work of putting up the automatic system, and substantial economy may be effected if advantage is taken of this opportunity to make use of the skill and talent that is now available in this city.—*Canton Gazette.*

INDIAN SERGEANT HAS DAY OUT

**SERIOUS CHARGES BY
KOWLOON A.S.P.**

**INTERESTING POINT RAISED
BY MAGISTRATE.**

CRIMES ACCUMULATE.

"A Police officer is not entitled to get drunk whether he is on or off duty," said Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, Assistant Superintendent of Police for Kowloon when prosecuting an Indian Sergeant before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning on a charge of misconducting himself as a police officer by (a) being absent from duty at 9.55 a.m. on Wednesday; (b), being absent from the Station without permission from noon to 8.50 p.m. and (3) being under the influence of liquor when in uniform at 8.50 p.m.

In reply to the charges the defendant said that he was absent from duty for about half an hour only. He denied the other allegations.

Mr. Whyte Smith asked if the charge could not have been dealt with departmentally.

Too Serious.

Mr. Calthrop replied that it was much too serious for departmental treatment. Independently the offences could be dealt with by the department but the combination of the three breaches of the Police Regulations made it too serious.

The defendant, pointed out Mr. Calthrop was the officer in charge of the Kowloon Water-Works Sub-Station, and absented himself from duty as well as from the Station and also getting under the influence of liquor was very serious indeed.

Answering a further question Mr. Calthrop said that the maximum penalty that the Captain Superintendent of Police had power to inflict was a fine of £25 and, with the approval of the Governor, dismissal from the Force.

Mr. Calthrop then detailed the events leading to the arrest of the accused, saying that at 6 a.m. on Wednesday, Sub-Inspector Munro sent a message to the Water Works instructing accused to go on duty from 9 a.m. to noon.

Later the officer in charge of the Shamshuipo Police Station was travelling in a bus along Nathan Road when he saw the prisoner who was supposed to be on duty.

Could Not Stop.

Sub-Inspector Munro could not stop. On his return to Shamshuipo, however, he sent a telephone message to the Water Works and learned that the accused had not got back. In the course of the day other messages were sent but prisoner was always reported absent.

At 8.50 p.m. Inspector Munro went to the Water Works Station and found accused absent. He had just left the Station when a motor car arrived. He turned round and saw accused with a girl alight from the car. Inside the vehicle were two bottles of beer and one bottle of brandy, as well as the Sergeant's turban.

The accused was under the influence of liquor. Inspector Munro was prepared to say he was drunk, although the prosecution was not charging him with being drunk but merely with being under the influence of drink.

His Worship remarked that it was an unfortunate thing that the prisoner was not stopped in Nathan Road when seen by Inspector Munro. That might have stopped the more serious charges.

Not a Child.

Mr. Calthrop intimated that the accused was a sergeant and not a child. He was placed in a responsible position and ought to have been worthy of it.

His Worship asked if the prosecution could have placed the prisoner under arrest if stopped in Nathan Road.

Mr. Calthrop replied that the accused would not have been arrested under those circumstances. He would only have been told to return to duty and placed on the report in the ordinary manner.

Mr. Calthrop said an officer would not be taken before a Civil Court for being absent from duty.

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SIR JOHN DUNCAN ON CHINA.

**PRESENT WAR A MEANS TO
UNIFICATION.**

STILL LONG WAY TO GO.

London, Apr. 11.

An interesting speech on China's problems revealing Major-General Sir John Duncan's close study of Chinese politics during his regime as G.O.C. Shanghai Defence Force, was delivered at a banquet of the Knights of the Round Table at the Hotel Cecil this evening.

The new Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Matsudaira, the father of the Empress of Japan, was invested as a Senior Knight.

In the course of a speech after the ceremony, Sir John Duncan referred to the pessimistic views expressed in some quarters regarding the future of China, and said that the fear seemed to be entertained that civil war might break out again on a large scale.

He felt, however, that what was now taking place was absolutely necessary and was all for the benefit of unification, which must come at some time in the future.

"China," he added, "had a long way to go and many difficulties to overcome, but he firmly believed that the country was really emerging from the state of chaos into which she has been thrown in the last few years.—*Reuter.*

**LATIN PATRIARCH
OBJECTS.**

**ARCHBISHOP LANG NOT TO
GO TO JERUSALEM.**

JEALOUS VIGILANCE.

London, Apr. 11.

A sensational reason for the revocation of the Archbishop of Canterbury's intention to visit Jerusalem in the course of his recuperative cruise in Mr. Pierpont Morgan's yacht, is provided by the *Daily Telegraph's* Ecclesiastical Correspondent.

The decision is stated to have been reached following an intimation that the proposed visit was viewed with much misgiving in the Vatican City.

The Vatican, it is stated, has received representations from the Latin Patriarch at Jerusalem, Monsignor Barlassina, that he was most disturbed by the prospect of such a visit from the Archbishop of Canterbury for the first time since the Reformation.

The apprehensions were based on the existing close understanding between the Anglican Communion and the various Eastern Orthodox Churches and the arrangements for the ceremonial reception of His Grace.

The Roman Catholic objections are not altogether unexpected owing to their jealous vigilance for the maintenance of the status quo among religious bodies claiming rights in the Holy City.

It is stated that the matter of the visit, which the Archbishop of Canterbury has tacitly abandoned, was discussed during the recent conference between Sir Austen Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini.—*Reuter.*

**SHANGHAI BOXING
SCARE.**

**FALSE ALARM OF FIRE AT
TOWN HALL.**

Shanghai, Apr. 12.

During a boxing tournament in the Town Hall, a false alarm of fire brought the audience to the scene. They did not, however, enter the building, thereby averting a possible stampede.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

TROTSKY'S FUTURE.

NOT WANTED IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Apr. 11.

The Cabinet has refused to accede to the request of M. Trotsky, now in Constantinople, for permission to enter Germany.—*Reuter.*

LABOUR ELECTION PROGRAMME.

**A CRUSADE AGAINST
POVERTY.**

**PUBLIC WORKS A LA MR.
LLOYD GEORGE.**

"PROPOSED CABINET."

London, Apr. 11.

"A great crusade against poverty" by the Labour Government, when returned to power, was promised by Mr. Arthur Henderson, the "prospective Home Secretary" in the course of an election speech broadcast from London today.

Mr. Henderson described the Labour Party's policy to "provide work" through large schemes of social and industrial reorganisation and national development, including new houses, slum clearance, the building and improvement of roads, bridges, harbours and docks.

Other schemes which the Labour Party contemplate involve the repair of inland waterways, the protection of the coast from erosion, re-afforestation, land drainage, electrical development, etc.

Russels as Friends.

The Labour Party will also arrange for the immediate establishment of diplomatic and commercial relations with Russia.—*Reuter.*

This sounds very much like Mr. Lloyd George's negligence for nothing proposal, though the Labour Party protest that their plans for public works are more original and extensive than those of the Liberal Leader, says Mr. J. L. Garvin.

They load Mr. Lloyd George with obloquy. They swear that, like the celebrated depredators at the expense of the Whigs, though less lucky in his guile, he tried to rob the Socialists of their clothes, but having failed in the attempt, now masquerades in an imitation suit made by a bad tailor. The Liberals retort that the original conveyance of ill-gotten and ill-fitting costumes was in the reverse direction.

Labour Optimists.

The Labour Party are quite sanguine of their success at the polls at the end of next month, and the art of Cabinet-making is proceeding apace.

The list which appears below is compiled by a well-informed correspondent of the *Sunday Times* in close touch with the inner organisation of the Party.

Prime Minister—Lord Lord of the Treasury, and Leader of the House of Commons.—Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Leader.—Mr. J. R. Clynes.

Lord President of the Council.—Mr. Sidney Webb (raised to the Peerage).

Lord Chancellor.—Lord Parmoor.

Chancellor of the Exchequer.—Mr. Philip Snowden.

Secretary of State.—Foreign Affairs.—Mr. Arthur Henderson.

Home Affairs.—Mr. Arthur Henderson.

Domestic Affairs.—Mr. George Lansbury.

India.—Lord Oliver (or Sir John Maynard).

War.—(—).

First Lord of the Admiralty.—Mr. J. H. Thomas.

President of the Board of Trade.—Mr. William Graham.

President of the Board Education.—Sir Chas. Trevelyan (or Miss Susan Lawrence).

Minister of Agriculture.—Mr. Noel Buxton.

Minister of Health.—Mr. Arthur Greenwood.

Secretary for Scotland.—Mr. William Adamson (or Mr. Whitley).

Minister of Labour.—Mr. Tom Shaw (or Miss M. Bondfield).

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.—Mr. F. O. Roberts.

First Commissioner of Works.—Mr. T

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MAN'S ORIGIN.

PAPER BY UNIVERSITY
UNDERGRADUATE.

Mr. Ng Tai-ping, Chairman of the Modern Literary Association, yesterday delivered an interesting address on "What is Evolution?" to a large gathering of members and friends, presided over by Professor J. Kirke. Mr. Ng Tai-ping is the Provincial Ping Pong Champion of Kwangtung and the President of the Hongkong Ping Pong League. He is a fifth year student of the Hongkong University.

The simplest and most adequate definition of evolution I have found, said Mr. Ng, consists of just two words—"orderly change." The theory of evolution is simply a theory that our world as it is to-day and all life upon it, have been developed since the beginning of time by slow, orderly processes of change, and that these changes are continuing. The theory is regarded by present day scientists as the only adequate scientific explanation of the mysteries of the origin and development of life. It brings together the collected knowledge of mankind to show that every animal, every plant and every piece of matter around us has sprung from a few simple forms, changing through the ages usually from the simple to the complex and toward greater perfection. In fact, it holds that all life, including man himself, probably developed from a single form—a mere cell. Thus evolution as a philosophy of change is directly opposed to the philosophy of unchangeability. It contradicts the idea of "special creation"—that everything on earth was completed in an instant. It interprets the Biblical story of creation liberally rather than literally.

Commonly Accepted Theory.
Briefly, the most commonly accepted theory, as first propounded by Charles Darwin in the middle of the nineteenth century, may be summarized as follows: No two individual plants or animals ever are exactly alike. A small variation in one individual may make him better equipped to cope with his surroundings than others of his kind. In the strenuous competition of life, only the individuals best equipped for struggle for existence survive. Those that survive pass their useful characteristics down to succeeding generations of heredity. And so through countless generations, by the survival and propagation of the most fit amid different and ever-changing surroundings, individual variations work to form new species, new families, and new races. So life has progressed slowly from the single cell, through the shellfish, fishes, reptiles, birds, mammals, and finally to man.

The main points of evidence in support of the theory are these: There are many definite indications that all animals, man included, are akin; that all were evolved from the same ancestor far back in the dim ages. The structure of all animals, including man, follows the same general plan. All have similar organs, such as brain, heart and lungs, performing similar functions. Man's skeleton can be compared, bone for bone, with that of a horse or monkey, a seal or a bat. His limbs have their counterparts in the fins of a fish or the wings of a bird. His muscles correspond with those of other mammals. The similarities extend also to the senses, emotions and instincts. Man and the animals have the same five senses and similar sense organs. They show the same emotional reactions, such as fear, jealousy and anger. They also suffer similar diseases which are affected in much the same way by drugs and stimulants.

Common Ancestry.
The animals that most closely resemble man, and consequently appear to be of closest kinship are the apes, particularly the orang-outang, the gorilla and the chimpanzee. Yet scientists never have contended that man is descended from apes or monkeys.

COMMUNISTS ACTIVE.

"RED" TROOPS BURN
MISSION PROPERTY.

Shanghai, Apr. 11.
Bishop O'Shea reports from Kanchow that Communist troops are still active.
Mission property at Julkin has been burned, and the Communists are approaching Kanchow, which is preparing for a siege, pending the arrival of Government troops from Nanchang.—Router.

What they do suggest, and what research has tended to substantiate, is their common ancestry, probably in a little tree-dwelling animal resembling the lemur.
2. Corroboration in the life history of the individual. The life history of every man and animal is but a short spectacular repetition of the story of the evolution of man from the simplest forms as told in the rocks. The beginning of each one of us is a single cell which multiplies. Before birth, the human infant resembles in turn a fish, an amphibian, a primitive reptile, a primitive mammal, an ape.

At one stage he has gill slits; at another, he has a well-defined tail. Until the last three months before birth he has dark soft hair covering the entire body except the palms of the hands and the soles of the feet. Occasionally, a child is born with a primitive tail still external. Only in its last stages of development does the human embryo differ markedly from that of an ape.

3. Further corroboration in the bodily structure and equipment of man. In the human body we find an amazing number of muscles and organs—nearly 200 of them—which are useless or practically useless to us, but which still serve important functions in lower animal life. These are called "rudiments" or "vestiges"—incomplete parts that have been arrested in development. Such are the muscles for wiggling the ears and those for causing the hair to stand on end. Then there is the vermiform appendix which not only is useless, but often dangerous. It is believed to be a vestige of time when our ancestors were grass-eaters; in grass-eating animals this organ plays an important part in digestion.

Rudimentary Reminders.
The scanty, downy hair that covers the human body, the practically worthless molar teeth that come comparatively late in life and decay quickly, the dwindling little toe bereft of one of its joints—these, according to science, are other common rudimentary reminders of our ancestry. And each of us carries about with him the rudimentary bones of a tail! If any animals, other than man, also carry similar reminders of possible humble origin. The splint bones in the horse's leg, for example, are explained as vestiges of toes that once were useful when he was a little three-toed animal.

4. The history of life on earth as read by geologists in the rocks.

5. New kinds of plants and animals actually are originating and developing to-day.

6. Every-day evidences. Scientists call evolution at once the most obvious and the most vital fact of life as we know it. We see it, they say, in operation all about us. We see the seed spring into a plant that blossoms and withers. We see the egg change into a chicken and the tadpole into a frog.

Rivers change their courses. The tide rises and falls. Day turns into night. All these changes have been observed by man for centuries.

And science says, too, that we can see evidence of evolution in our gardens, among our children. In the marvelous machines developed for our use from the crudest of implements—even in the ideas that we conceive and unfold.

Your life from beginning to end, says science, is change and progress, steady, upward from helpless ignorance to intelligence and power.

This is what science means by Evolution as the compelling force of creation.

THE MORAL AIM.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE MASTER'S
LECTURE AT UNIVERSITY.

Members of the Education Society of Hongkong University attended the University Union yesterday afternoon to listen to a lecture entitled "The Moral Aim of a School," which was delivered by Mr. G. W. Reeve, of Queen's College. The speaker dealt with the subject in an interesting fashion. An abridged report appears below.

Mr. Reeve said that the object of the moral aim was the child. Much had been thought and said in recent years on the intelligence and physique of the child and the freedom of individual growth, but to the moral aim, as an aspect of the whole, little thought had been given. Morality might be approached from the religious, secular or purely academic point of view.

The first was expressive of particular countries and as such could give no universal ethical principle. The second subordinated the idea of moral aim to its usefulness, and as such, interpreted the right and the good as only existing for their instrumental value to man. The last was the standpoint of the student who loved knowledge primarily for his own sake, apart from its application, and whose aim was to discover universal principles which possessed intrinsic value apart from their application.

The Moral Term.

The term moral could only be applied to beings possessing choice, even if the choice was only in the sense that if they had thought at the time they could have refrained from doing that which they did do. It implied judgment, a standard, and that which ought to be and not that which was. It was essential to explain this keen moral sense. Upon its interpretation hinged the whole question. The standard from which we judged had been variously held to be conscience, internal moral law, and amount of pleasure, etc. It was a voluntary action, right because it was right or right because it aimed at some good.

That brought the lecturer to the term "good," and he said it was in accordance with their interpretation of it, that the moral aim would be fashioned. In itself the term "good" was indefinable, and the relation between right and good was that the idea of right implied an external measure such as law and authority in all its expressed forms, but that in any other sense which could be the object of reason it could only be an individual feeling or belief. The idea of good presupposed an end. If the end was in the best interests of the individual and society, then acts leading thereto would be adjudged right and those contrary wrong. But there could be no satisfactory explanation if they thought of good only in relation to acts as though its idea arose from the observation of innumerable acts labelled good.

Look for Good.

They had to start with the individual, look for the good in him and assume that he was born with good moral instincts, and the proper development of the use of those instincts would yield good character with a dominating drive which he would call the will.

It was the good man therefore who was important, from their consideration, for even as each form of life had a directional tendency, so had the good man, meaning he would tend to go in a good direction; and that the good, being within man, he would choose to do good acts in life rather than bad. That which was consciously good would recognize and follow the good in its peculiar life aspect.

In summing up his lecture, Mr. Reeve stated that the school should look upon a child as good or poor; its scale of values would include as primary the development of a good character, and that could be attained by giving directional tendency to the will. A good will was the same as a good character, and a good character was a good citizen of the world.

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

PROMISSORY NOTE ACTION
NEARLY FINISHED.

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) reserved judgment in the promissory note action which has been engaging his attention at the Supreme Court for over a week. Both the case for the plaintiff and the case for the defence had been closed on Wednesday, the whole of yesterday morning and afternoon being devoted to counsel's final addresses to the court.

Lam Ting-on, as a head of the King On Tong firm is suing the Hongkong Ma Pak Leung firm of druggists for the recovery of \$4,698, alleging it to be due under a promissory note. This debt is denied by the defendants, who say that the note was made by the Fatsan and Canton Ma Pak Leung firm which is separate from Hongkong.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., together with Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., is for the defendants while Mr. F. C. Jenkin is for the plaintiff.

Defence Argument.

In addressing the Court in the afternoon, Mr. Jenkin dealt at some length with points of the case as affecting the plaintiff and the defendants, in the course of which he referred to the documentary evidence. He said it was impossible to check the balance sheets and the cash books because there were different dates and the Fatsan balance sheets and ledgers were not produced. It was remarkable that the defendants did not produce books which could, beyond any question, have put the true value on statements which had been found in some of the documents.

Counsel added that not only in handbills did one find the use of language which made it quite clear that the firms were closely associated under one common proprietorship, but one also found matters in other documents which were acceptable only on that basis.

When Mr. Jenkin had concluded, his Lordship said that the issues were very important, much more important than the amount claimed. He thought it was only fair that he should go through the evidence, and he announced that he would give a written decision at a later date.

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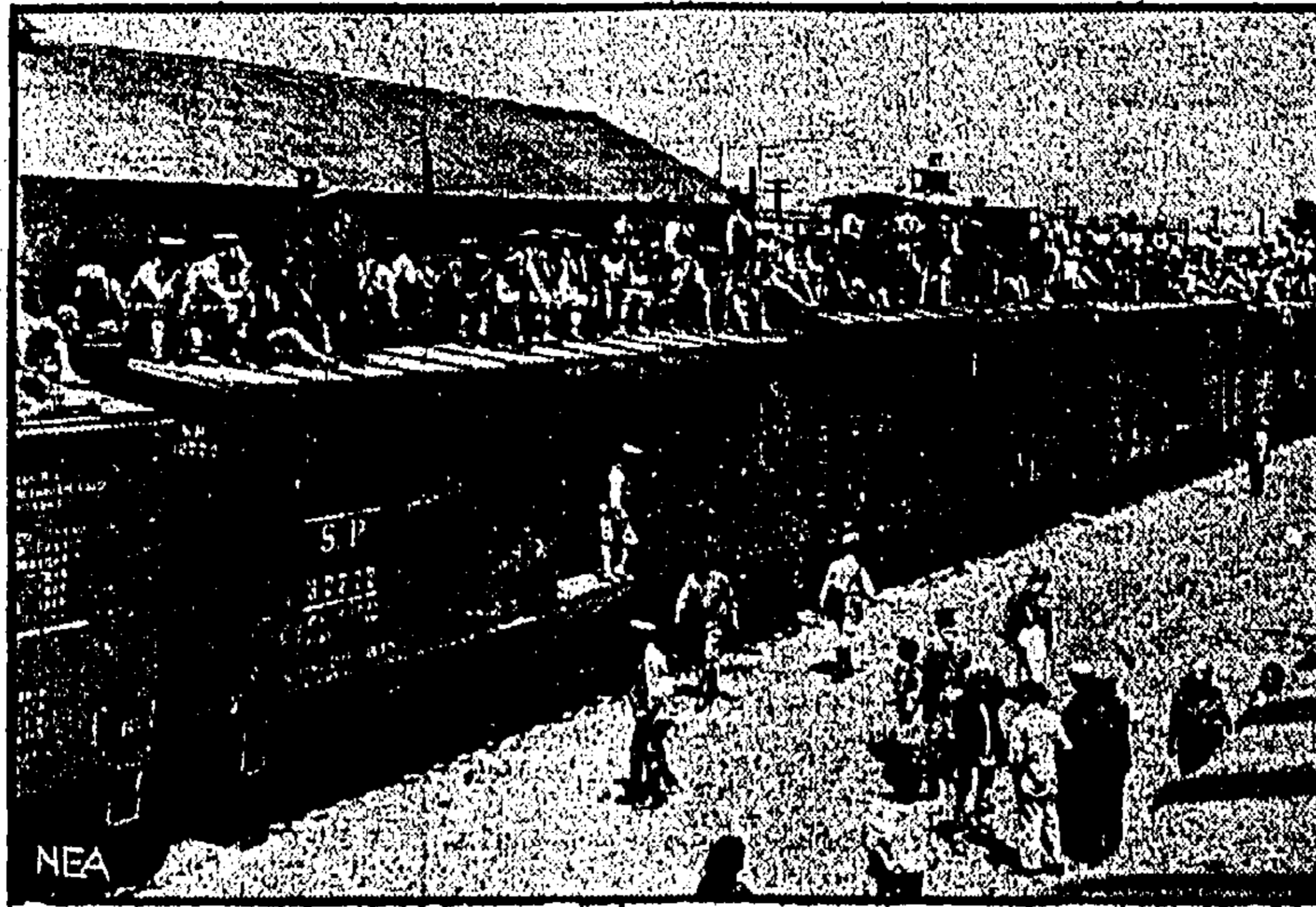
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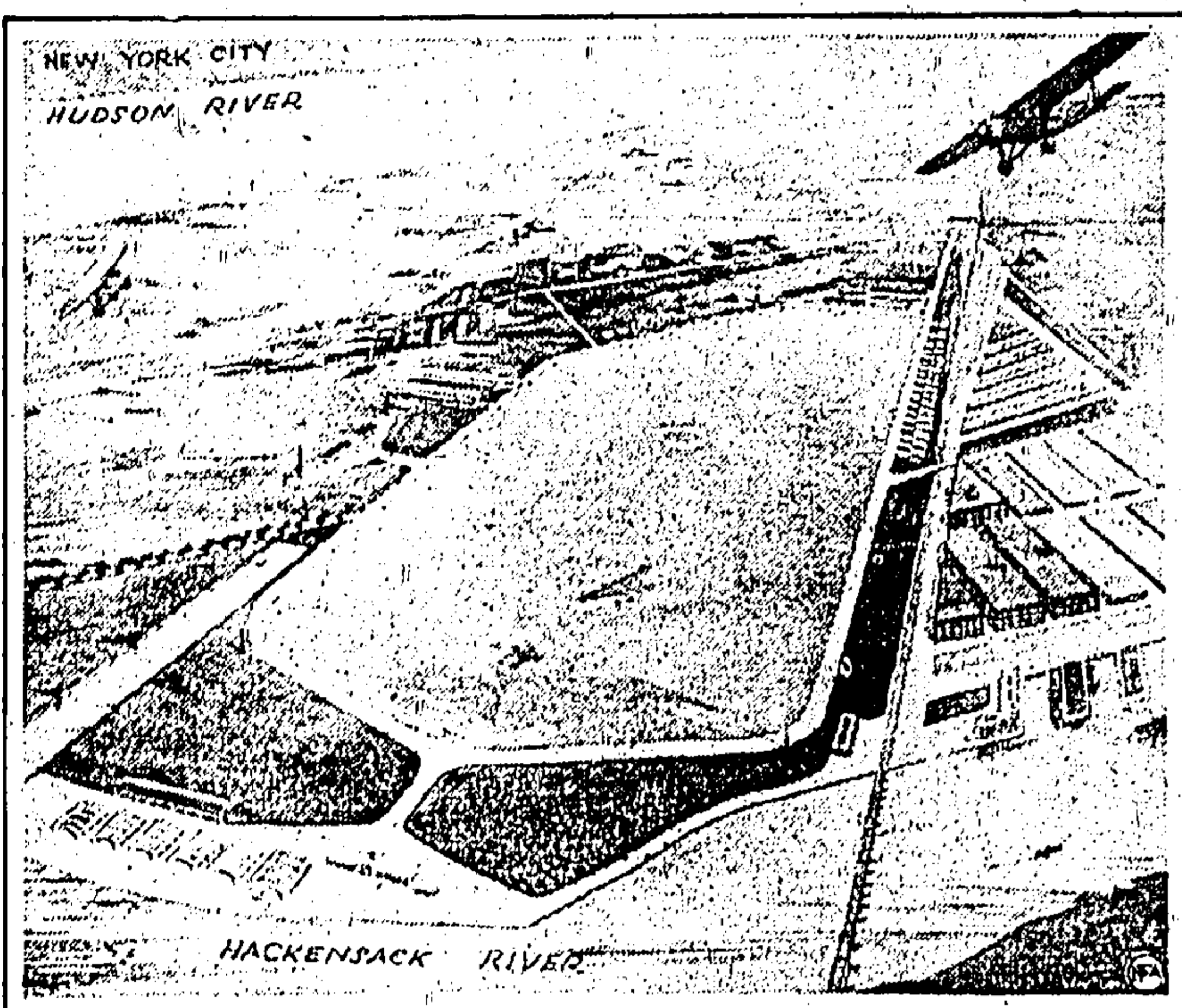
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The revolution in Mexico took the authorities completely by surprise. Above in the centre is Ex-President Calles on his way to head the Federal forces.



Mexico Government troops are shown in the above picture being moved to the centre of the revolutionary activities, much after the fashion which troops were moved in France, in box trucks.



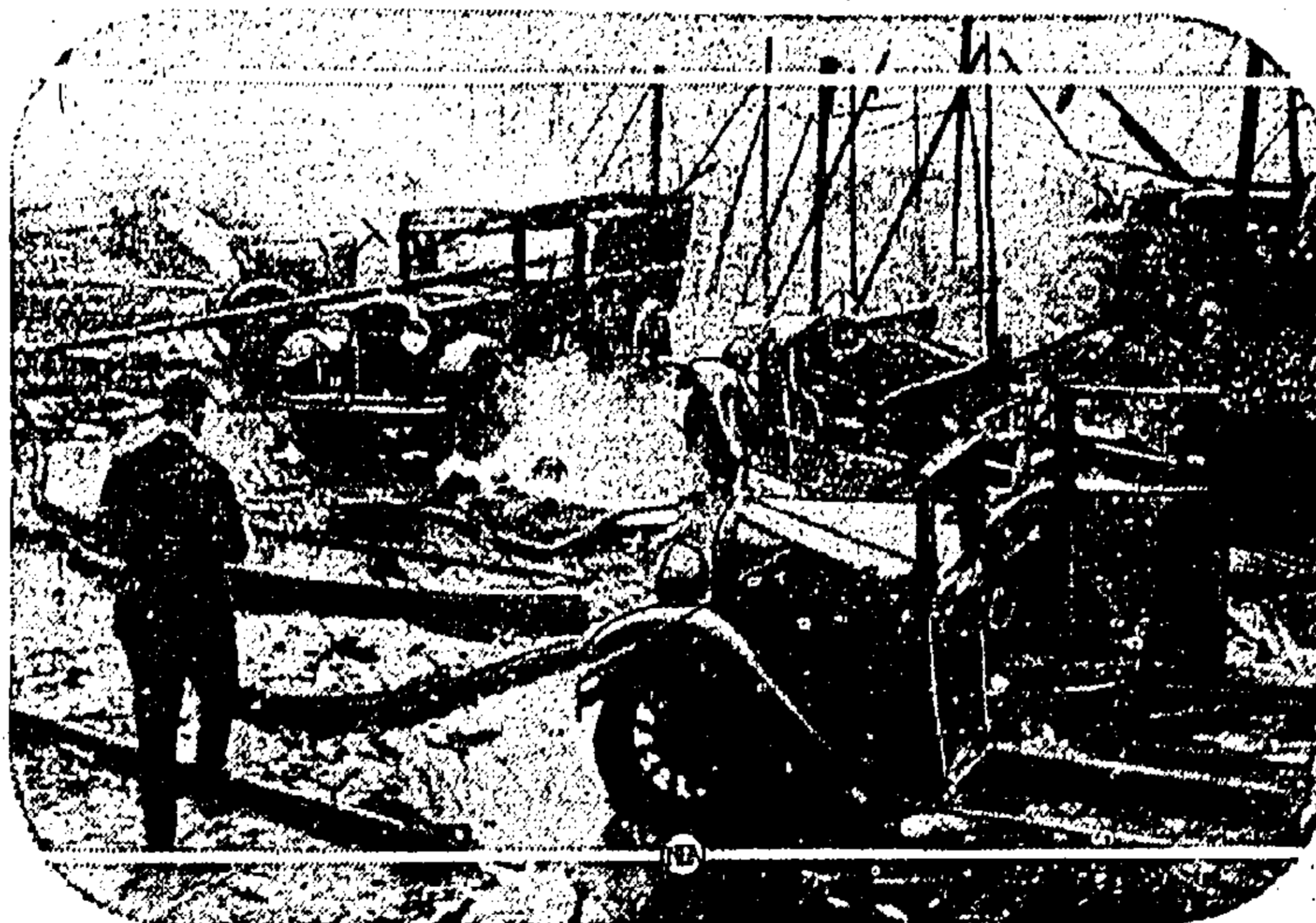
Above is seen the plans of the new terminal air-station proposed for New York. It is to be built within a few minutes of the heart of the city, and among other things will have a 56-acre artificial lake for seaplanes. Mail will be sent to and fro by pneumatic tube.



Our photo was taken after the wedding in Palermo, Sicily, of Prince Christopher of Greece to Princess Francoise of France. The happy couple are seen leaving the Capella Palatina.



Our picture is the first taken of the Pope after he ceased to become a voluntary prisoner in the Vatican. It was taken in St. Peter's Cathedral, and shows His Eminence wearing the gorgeous triple crown.



Scene taken after the devastating fire at the Los Angeles automobile show. The smouldering remains represent damage estimated at \$2,000,000. Only a few of the large number of cars displayed were saved.



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A photo showing the 2nd Batt. Wiltshire Regiment, new to the Shanghai Defence Force, marching along Nanking Road recently.

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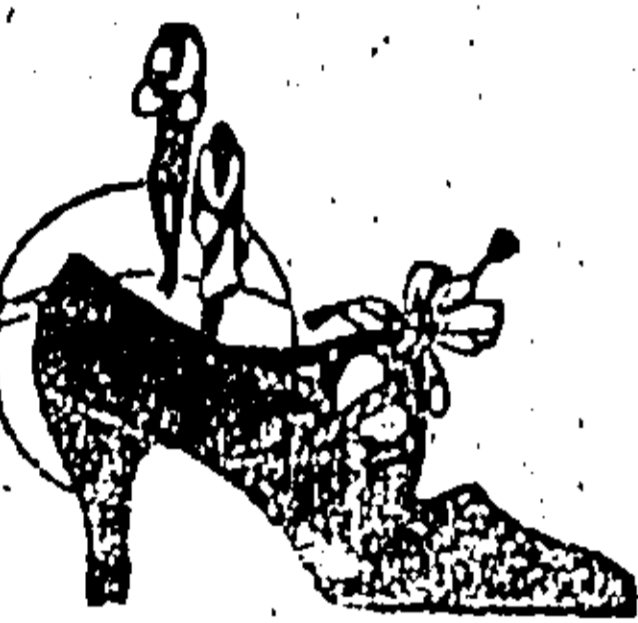
Your naughty child is often not really so blameworthy as he seems. Even we grown-ups know what it is to be "contrary" some days when as an excuse for ill-temper, moroseness, or perversity of one kind or another, we say we are "out of sorts," "under the weather," or "not feeling up to the mark."



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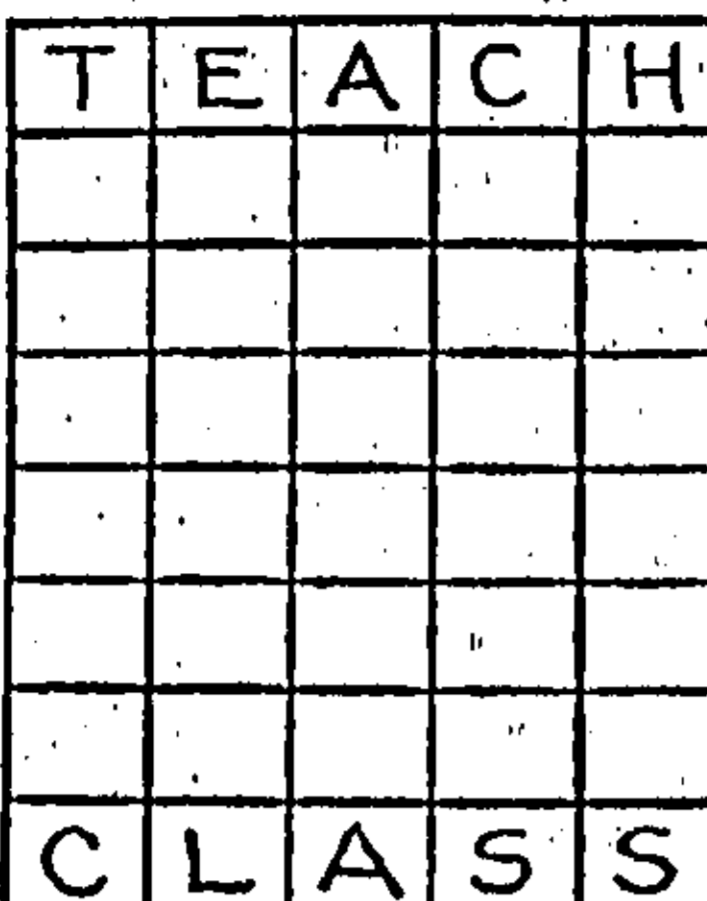
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3—You must have a complete word of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page.

JAPANESE UNEASY.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO LEAVE TSINAN.

Peking, Apr. 11. A message from Tsinan states that despite assurances by the Japanese Consul that full protection will be accorded after the withdrawal of Japanese troops, Japanese residents at a meeting have decided by a large majority to evacuate all women and children to Tsingtao on April 17 and 18.

For those unable to afford the expense this entails, the Japanese Residents' Association has provided \$8,000 Mex. for travelling and \$7,000 for living expenses at Tsingtao for one month.

It is believed the uneasiness is caused by the alleged failure of the Chinese authorities to deliver a programme of their intentions for preservation of peace and order at Tsinan after the Japanese withdrawal, delivery of which was promised for April 3.—Reuter.

Discussion Resumed.
Nanking, Apr. 11. Informal conversations on the Hankow and Nanking incidents were continued this morning between representatives of Dr. C. T. Wang and the Japanese Minister, Mr. Yoshizawa.

It is reported that only one point is left unsettled, and a settlement is expected shortly.—Reuter.

A "WET" LEVIATHAN.

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP PERMIT LIQUOR SALES.

New York, Apr. 11. The sailing of the Leviathan yesterday under the flag of the United States Lines, Incorporated, to which the liner has been sold by the United States Shipping Board, marked the official restoration of liquor selling to American ships in the trans-Atlantic trade.

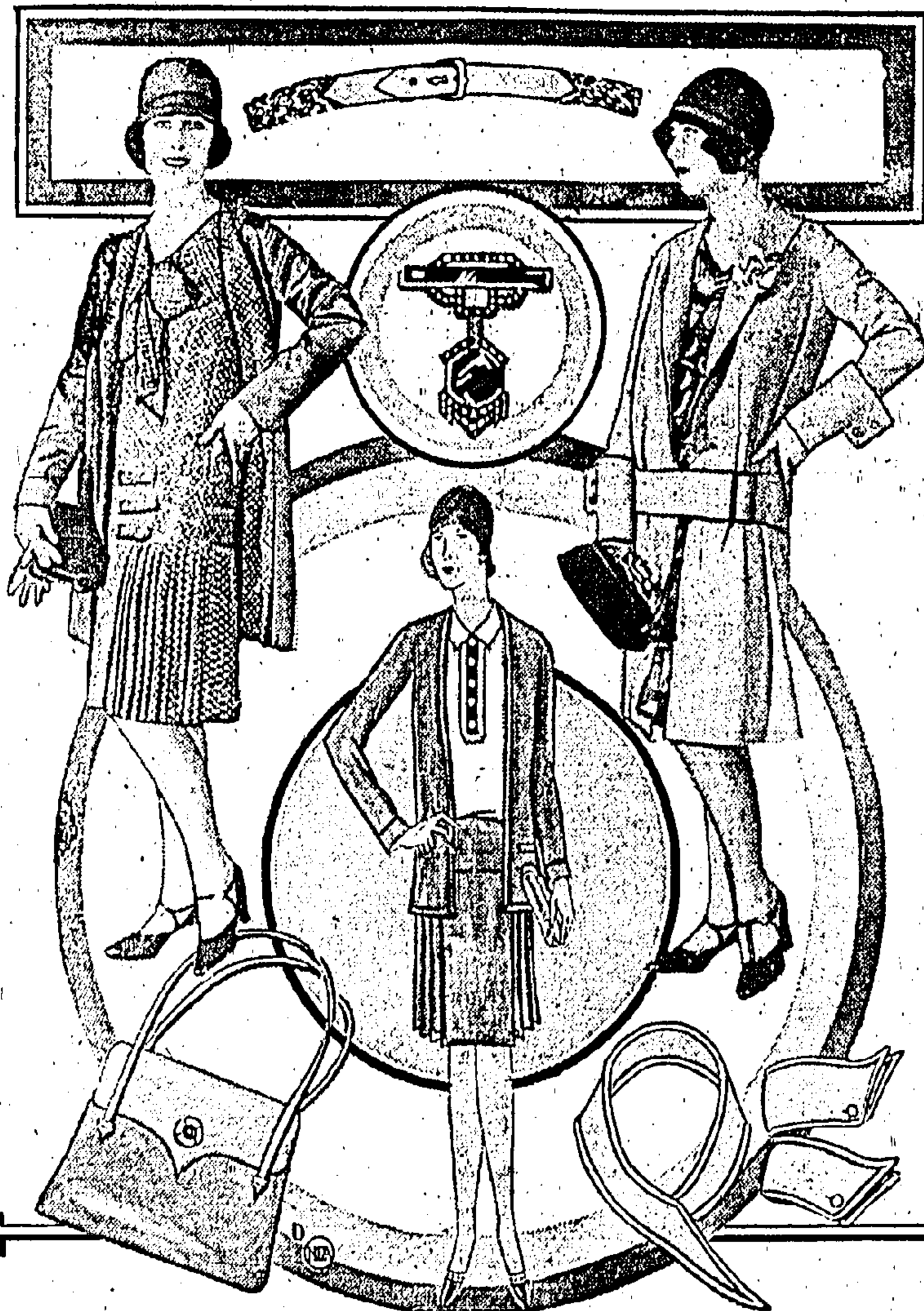
Since 1923, ten United States Government-owned liners on the European run have been "dry" under a mandate of the Shipping Board, but all this has been abolished by an order by Mr. Joseph Sheedy, vice-president of the line, that the Leviathan can serve passengers with "medicinal liquor" after passing the twelve mile limit.

Mr. Sheedy's order is legalised by a decision of the United States Supreme Court under which sufficient liquor can be taken aboard at foreign ports for a return voyage.

There will be no public bars, but passengers may have liquor sent to their staterooms, or with their meals.—Reuter's American Service.

WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.



(Left) An emerald green flat crepe and green, tan and black checkered foulard ensemble, topped by a matching "dreadnaught" hat. (Right) The tan-kashim tweed coat in a gently rolling collar and novelty cuffs. A brown hat, shoes and bag complement its smartness. (Lower) A blue cardigan suit with white tuck-in blouse with polka dotted touch in front. Accessories: an acacia calfskin bag, a pink cuff and collar set edged in white organdy, a kid and snakeskin belt and a fob brooch, set in coloured stones.

A Modern Bedroom.

SCHEME BORROWED FROM SHOW-ROOM.

In the latest development the up-to-date bedroom pronounces itself independent of bedroom furniture in the accepted sense, and places its trust in glass cases and fittings with glass fronts as a substitute.

There is something a little exposed in the air worn on first acquaintance by the glass expanse, which lays bare the frocks and frills, the lingerie and the lace that erstwhile were modestly concealed behind the panels of a wardrobe and within the drawers of a chest, but one must confess that the newer arrangement of shelves of glass, enclosing a series of glass shelves, and sliding across hanging rods fixed against a background of mirror, has its charms, and conveys to a dressing-room an air of efficiency and skillful adaptation that has its value.

Colourful Clothes.
To-day the colourful character of the crepe de Chine, the scarves, the shawls, that make up so large a part of My Lady's outfit deserves exploitation in the colour scheme of her bedroom, and now, ranged neatly upon the glass shelves, amid exquisite bags and effective

jewels of the mock order, it plays its part in the decorative whole.

The first impression, as one surveys the tall cabinets, from whose structure the use of wood has been restricted to mere mouldings to hold in position the panes of glass, is rather one of a show-room fitment, but soon this gives place to one of appreciation, since here is a due adaptation to purpose—a feature, we are told, inseparable from true artistry of design.

Gliding Fronts.

While walls are fitted with sliding fronts of glass to create hanging accommodation, and recesses are fitted up with rows of shelves, thus to eliminate chests and wardrobe, the dressing-table finds itself similarly ousted by the device of extending the bed-room window-sill to a sufficient width to form space for the toilet oddments, and installing at either side of the window recess long strips of mirror glass. With its back to the window stands a tall looking-glass, guileless of frame—a conceit which serves further to emphasise the absence of wood.

Such a room looks its best when lights are concealed behind oblong screens of opaque glass, moulded in relief, and posed on a line with a low frieze, for in the glass-case bed-room metal fittings are as

Sequin Coats.

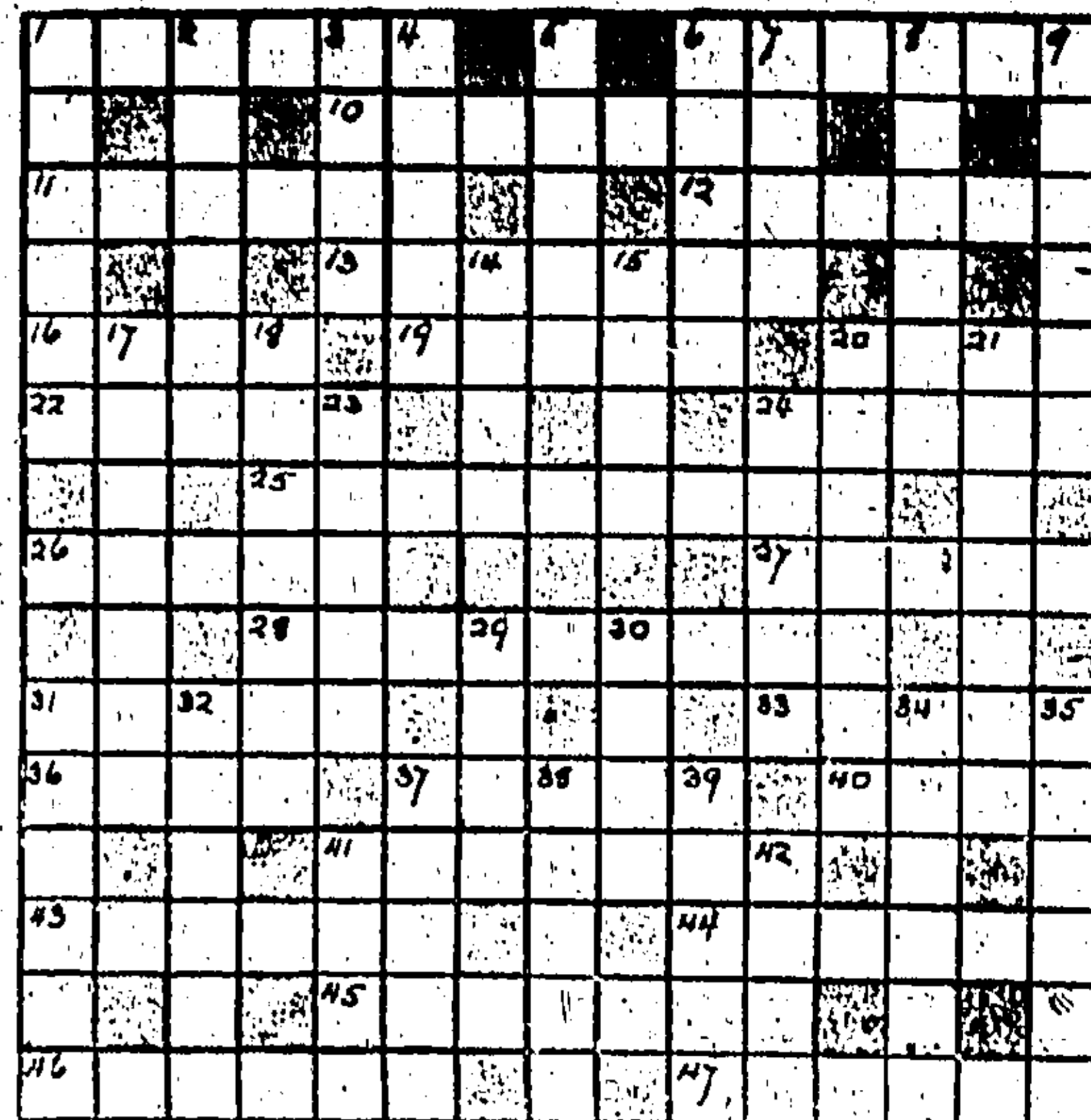
SEEN AT A FASHION PARADE.

In a recent parade at Home, of evening fashions, black and black-and-white frocks of tulle and sometimes embroidered in silver or white beads, satin, chiffon, lace, net, and so on, were seen a great deal, though naturally not as often as coloured ones, the light greens and yellows, flesh-pinks, geranium-reds, and subdued peri-winkles prevailing in evening colours.

For dance frocks and others, there were charming novelties, in the way of little coats of lace, with long sleeves and uneven hem lines; short, sleeveless coats of gold and silver sequins, encrusted like a coat of mail, invisible foundations of net, and dainty open-fronted coats of broche, held tight to the waist with a paste button and finishing over the hips with a jaunty flare. They were worn over skirts of net or tulle.

little in keeping as in cabinet-work. English manufacturers are now rivaling the French in the production of such panels, ornamented with spirited studies of men and of animals in high relief.

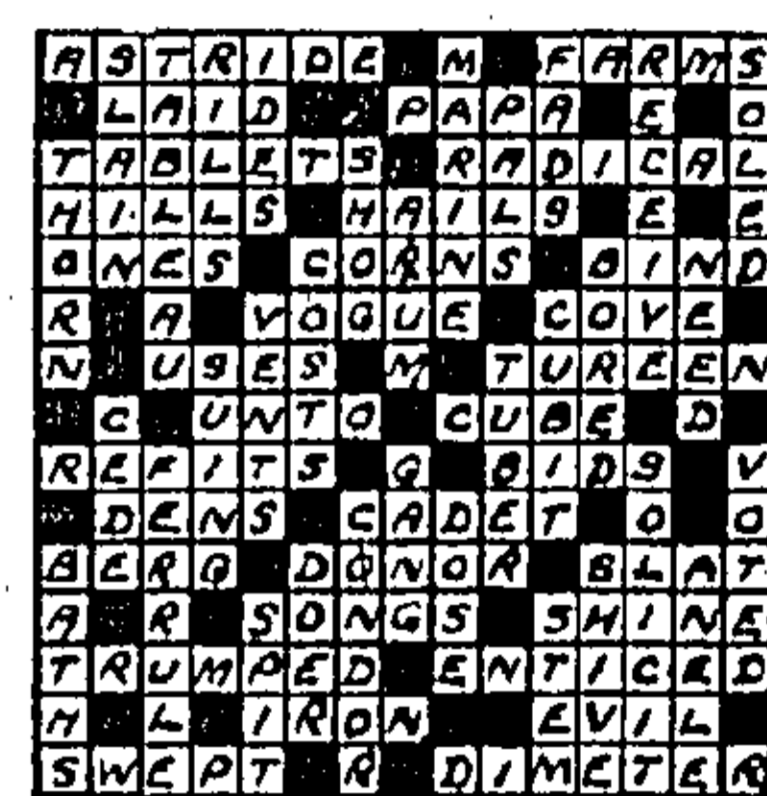
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25 Musical notation.
29 Remaining fragment.
37 Active.
38 Unsanctified.
39 Worth.
40 Boy's name.
41 Opposite of a-weather.
42 Comforts.
43 Novice.
44 Occupants.
45 Rubbish.
46 Effigies.
47 Laughable.
48 Phlegm.
49 Twined woollen fabrics.

Down
14 Small apartment.
15 Small Dutch coin.
17 Not figurative.
18 Tell.
20 Church lantern.
21 Inventor.
23 Mother-of-pearl.
24 Seize.
29 Tribe.
30 Legal claim.
31 Underground chambers.
32 Epistle.
34 Ring.
35 Startles.
37 Weird.
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39 Used for walking with feet off the ground.
41 Long-winged bird.
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FIRE DANGERS.

Now that the inquiry into the King Edward Hotel disaster has ended and the jury given its verdict, it is, perhaps, only to be expected that many suggestions should be forthcoming in regard to future precautions against a possible repetition of such a calamity. This, indeed, is the chief value of the investigation into the Hotel fire. Everybody, of course, regrets that such a terrible happening should have been possible, but the lives that were lost cannot be recalled. Sympathy for the bereaved is felt on all hands, and there is a very understandable feeling of indignation that lives should have been so needlessly placed in jeopardy. Ideas may differ regarding the apportionment of blame, although there is general agreement that the Government has been greatly remiss in having permitted conditions that made the disaster possible. The unsatisfactory character of the law on the subject of fire-prevention cannot be held to acquit the authorities of culpability, since this had long since been pointed out, and, in any event, it is obviously the duty of the Government to see that human life is safeguarded. Reminders are not called for on such an elementary point of duty.

The main question now to be faced, however, is the guaranteeing, as far as is humanly possible, of conditions in hotels and other large blocks of buildings which will assure a fair measure of safety for occupants in case of fire. We have had it on the word of a P.W.D. official that as things are at present many of our big blocks of buildings in the city are practically death-traps. We know that in case of new structures certain requirements, both in regard to the provision of fire escapes and actual construction of the buildings, are insisted upon when the plans are passed. But what is of vital importance is the point as to whether inspections are periodically carried out to see that these requirements continue to be met. There are office blocks in the city which were probably quite all right in construction from a fire-fighting point of view, when they were originally built, but which to-day are literally honey-combed with cubicles made of the most inflammable material. We have no doubt that many of

these are, in the eyes of the law, illegal structures, but the point to be stressed is that their existence cannot be discovered except by a method of regular inspection. We are told that the Building Authority staff cannot undertake inspection in the case of old buildings. Parenthetically, it may be asked who is to do it. But what about the buildings which have been erected since the 1903 Ordinance was passed? Is nobody responsible for seeing that they conform to requirements?

The question of the construction of buildings is without doubt now the vital issue. In this connexion, we have heard of blocks of modern flats being built with floors and ceilings composed wholly of wood. It is easy to imagine what a roaring furnace such places would become in case a serious fire started, say, on the ground floor. Then there are Chinese tenement houses, both old and new, in which the chances of escape in case of fire are extremely slim. So we could go on almost *ad infinitum* pointing out the dangers that exist both in business houses and residences. These things demand immediate and thoroughgoing attention, and the public will not be reassured until prompt and effective action is taken.

Ambassador-in London.

President Hoover has taken over the reins at the head of a great nation in a manner which might almost suggest that his earlier achievements were mere preparation for the high office he now fills, and there can be no further doubt that his administration is marked out for success. We need look no further for a sign than the appointment to the Court of St. James as American Ambassador, of General Charles Dawes, banker, soldier and statesman. The choice reveals at once the new President's world experience and vision, and it will give general satisfaction on both sides of the Atlantic. Like his chief, General Dawes has had previous real knowledge of England and Englishmen, and the appointment of a man of such stature in the economic world seems favourable to the creation of a wholly new conception of Anglo-American relations and co-operation. His presence in London for a period of years should form an invaluable link between the two countries, particularly as regards finance and commerce, for we imagine that the author of the famous Dawes Plan for reparations will not be permitted to reside in Europe without being consulted frequently on financial and economic questions outside his ambassadorial duties. A close student of General Dawes says that the fact that he was known in the army as "Hellanmaria" Dawes, (from his favourite expletive) may give an entirely wrong impression of the character of the recent Vice-President of the United States. He has an immense knowledge of the world, polish, vision and that quality of bravery defined as absolute. He was expected to have great difficulty in managing the Senate in his capacity as presiding officer but after an epochal fight on the rules, he quickly achieved order and harmony. Had President Wilson possessed the patience of President Coolidge or sympathetic leadership like that of Dawes in the Senate, the Versailles Treaty would never have been "hated into the grave" under the Senate's dome. General Dawes will be a perfect diplomat, when necessary, frank though careful, unobtrusively considerate though positively firm. His ability to use the truth unadorned to make his adversary think he is diplomatically prevaricating is celebrated. President Hoover and General Dawes are a brilliant pair to effect the closer touch between Great Britain and the United States which is so eminently desirable.

Lieut. Commr. J. S. Crawford has been appointed to H. M. S. Strider and Commr. Engr. J. D. Nicholas to H. M. S. Sepoy.

DAY BY DAY.

WORK IS THE BEST THING TO MAKE US LOVE LIFE.—Rena.

Commr. Ganner A. T. Allen has been appointed to H.M.S. Serapis.

H.M.S. Bluebell and H.M.S. Foxglove arrived at Colombo on Thursday on their way to England.

A large number of residents left by the Empress of France, these including Mr. and Mrs. B. D. F. Belfin, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bagram, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar, Mr. H. L. Denny, Mr. H. H. Green, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. C. Gordon Mackie, Mr. R. R. Roxburgh, Mr. B. L. Selton-Winton, and Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. F. J. Wyatt, Sir Charles and Lady Fawcett, and Bishop Fourquet left by the same liner.

Taking compassion on a Chinese who was charged with hawking without a licence, on the plea of the prisoner that he was blind, Mr. E. W. Hamilton cautioned the culprit at the Police Court this morning and told him not to do it again. The released man promptly stepped out of the dock causing Mr. Hamilton to remark:—"He seems to be able to see his way out of the dock all right!"

Twice banished from the Colony on account of his thieving propensities, and having served several terms of imprisonment, an elderly Chinese was this morning sentenced to a further term of three months' imprisonment at the Police Court by Mr. E. W. Hamilton. Yesterday the prisoner, having terminated his period of banishment, returned to the Colony from Singapore and straightaway robbed a Chinese woman of a basket of clothes.

A remand for 24 hours was ordered by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Police Court this morning in the case in which a Chinese was charged with attempting to sell stolen property. It was stated that, the owner of the property, whom the defendant alleged had given it to him for sale, could not be traced. The Magistrate ordered the remand, stating that it should be easy enough for the police to trace the owner of part of the property at least for it consisted of a brass counter-front which obviously must have been stolen from one of the smaller exchange shops.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Apr. 11.
Paris	124.25
Geneva	25.22
Berlin	20.47
Oso	18.20
Helsingfors	103
Athens	375
Buenos Aires	47 11/32
Hongkong	1/11 1/4
New York	4.85 13/32
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Stockholm	18.19
Vienna	34.65
Madrid	32.645
Bucharest	817 1/4
Bombay	1/6 15/16
Yokohama	1/10 1/32
Brussels	34.05
Milan	02.75
Copenhagen	18.21
Prague	104
Lisbon	108 1/4
Rio	6.27 3/32
Shanghai	2/6
Silver (spot and forward)	25.15/16

—British Wireless.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended April 13th, 1908:

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 10 1/2d.

Vice-Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton, Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, paid an official visit to the Viceroy of Canton.

Admiral Li Chun was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Kwangtung Navy, with headquarters in Canton.

Mr. J. H. Kemp was appointed to act as First Magistrate during

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Wide Range of Pictures
To-morrow.

There will be more than twenty pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement, and these will cover a wide range, illustrating the principal local events of the week.

Sporting events will be well covered by pictures showing the players and play in the tennis singles semi-finals, the Rugby match between the Navy and the Club, the Somerset Light Infantry sports, the China Light and Power Company's children's sports, and the cricket match between a Hongkong XI and the Rest of the Colony.

There were some excellent pictures of the annual inspection of the Police Force by H. E. the Governor, a group taken at the reception to the Governor of Macao at the Club Lusitano, one of the scenes from the A.D.C. production of "The Dover Road," and a striking photograph showing the almost empty condition of Tytan Tuk reservoir.

The weddings of Mr. A. T. S. Jensen and Miss I. B. Jensen, and of Mr. C. V. F. da Rosa and Miss E. M. Hyndman will be illustrated, whilst other pictures will include a group taken on the occasion of the presentation to Dr. G. Montague Harston at the Tung Wah Hospital, a portrait of Mr. Li Yik-mai, the new Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and a naval group taken aboard H.M.S. Titania.

the absence on leave of Mr. F. A. Hazeland.

The Green Island Cement Co. Ltd. proposed a final dividend of 75 cents, making \$1.25 for the year.

It was announced that Mr. Tang Shao-yi would not be returning to Fengtien as Governor, as his services were needed in Peking.

E. G. Osborn, alleged to be a fugitive offender from Singapore, was arrested on a warrant in Hongkong on Wednesday. He waived extradition proceedings and returned to Singapore on board the s.s. Cremer yesterday, in the custody of Inspector Minn of the Singapore Police.

The Very Idea!

The death of Isaac Lund of Foldano, Cowling, Yorks, revealed the fact that when he made his last will and testament he did not overlook the fact that his wife had deserted him.

His estate of more than \$1000 was bequeathed to the Cowling Parish Council "for the formation and upkeep of a parish museum or otherwise for the benefit of the village."

As regards his wife he had this to say:

"To my wife Gertrude Lund, who has ceased to reside with me, the sum of one shilling and the cracked bowl she left me."

I knew he was a flirt, but so is every man.—A Woman at Lambeth.

I am always nervous of speaking to my husband because I always half expect what I feel sure I shall get.—Wife at Southend.

Constable at Tottenham: When I arrested defendant he said, "Wait till my mate sees you; he is a boxer." I asked him who his mate was, and he replied, "The one that ran away."

Man at Tottenham: I saw him using bad language.

You can make £1 go a long way if you don't know where the next is coming from.—A Witness at Shoreditch County Court.

"It is now proved," says a magazine, "that you can catch a cold from a person 40 feet away."

Since sounds and sights the ether bears to me, "Tele-infection," I suppose, was due—

"The march of progress," and all that! But, gee! They surely won't expect me to agree

That distance lends enchantment to the flu?

A rather famous artist just condescended to make a little spare cash by painting a picture for a soap. He painted a picture of a beautifully radiant mother and child, the inference being that would ye, too, be beautiful as this, ye should scrub yourself with the particular soap advertised.

The ad did bring in returns, but of a sort rather unexpected. Hundreds of protesting letters remonstrated with the company for daring to foist upon the public a Madonna with no wedding ring upon her hand. All the advertising was recalled, and the artist got busy putting the little gold circlet upon the offending bare finger.

It was a very frosty night, and John, who had been "having one or two" at the local pub, slipped on a slide on coming out. Not being in a condition to get up unaided, he was still lying there when the minister appeared.

"Ah, John, John," he said, "fools stand in slippery places."

"So I see, sir," said John. "But I'm damned if I can."

To-day's Ghost Story.—When I was in residence at—in Surrey I was awakened by the noise of horses galloping down the road. I rose quietly and went to the window, and saw in front of the house a very large black coach, to which were harnessed two magnificent black horses. They looked as if they had travelled fast and far; their nostrils were distended and their aides were heaving.

The driver was a very tall man, dressed all in black, but I could not see his face, as it was hidden by the sleeve of his coat. Suddenly he called out in a loud, clear voice, Mr.—"I tell Mr.—that I am coming for him to-day." Still hiding his face, he pulled the reins, and the horses galloped down into the wood beyond.

My husband awoke and said: "Whatever are you doing there?" I told him what I had seen, and he, too, was very much interested, and begged of him to come with me, to make sure that his father, aged 84, was all right. We went to his room and found him sleeping peacefully. That was at 2.30 a.m. During breakfast my father-in-law was very bright and said he "never felt better." My husband laughed at my "dream," and related it to my brother and his wife. My father-in-law died suddenly that day at 2.30 p.m.

Among passengers leaving Hongkong on the s.s. Haarbruecken were Dr. J. W. H. Ferguson, Commissioner of Customs at Canton, and Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brearley, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. S. Jensen, Mr. Hugo Ammann, the President of the German Tennis Club, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Eldridge.

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COMMON ERRORS
IN BRIDGE
AND HOW TO
CORRECT THEM
by W.W. Wentworth10. FAILING TO ENCOURAGE
OPPONENTS TO HOLD UP.
MASTER CAUTION.

North (Dummy)—
♠ 6 4 3
♥ 7 5
♦ 7 4 4
♣ 8 3 2

West—
Leads ♠ 3

South (Declarer)—
♠ Q J 10 8 3
♥ A 6 4
♦ A K J
♣ A K

The Bidding: South bids one spade; all pass.

Deciding the Play: West leads 3 of diamonds and Declarer takes with Jack of diamonds. What card should Declarer play?

The Error: Declarer deter-

mines to draw trumps and plays Queen of spades.

The Correct Method: Declarer observes that he has two losers in hearts and two in spades. To frame, an effort must be made to lose only one trick in spades. West may hold King X X and East Ace X or vice versa. If the 10 of spades is played on the first round, West will be tempted not to cover it, figuring that East will cover. South should play 10 of spades and in all probability neither West nor East will take this trick. Thereafter Queen of spades is played with the result that West now covers with King of spades and East with Ace of spades and game is made. The foregoing result is not guaranteed but it often works. When holding nine or more cards play the Queen.

The Principle: The effort to frame should always be made even though the outlook seems hopeless.

LEAVING AFTER
30 YEARS.MR. C. H. BLASON GOING
TO-MORROW.

AN ACTIVE CAREER.

Hongkong will to-morrow be losing one of its most popular residents when Mr. C. H. Blason, of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, leaves for Home by the P. and O. s.s. Naldera after more than 30 years' residence in the Colony. During his lengthy stay here, Mr. Blason has not only figured prominently in the commercial life of Hongkong, but he has been well to the fore in the realm of sport, for he has ever been a firm believer in outdoor exercise as a means of keeping fit. In this connection, pony-riding and rowing have been his favourite forms of pastime, in addition to which he has been a keen walker and nature-lover and one of the Colony's cleverest amateur photographers. His interest in the Boy Scout movement is also well known.

It was on December 26th, 1898, that Mr. Blason first arrived in the Colony, and, having been a Volunteer at Home, he joined the local Corps, becoming attached to the A (Machine Gun) Company



under Captain Saunders. He retained his association with the Volunteers for many years, and during the War he was a Lieutenant in the Defence Corps.

In his younger days, Mr. Blason was a very enthusiastic sportsman, having joined the old Hongkong Boat Club just after his arrival in the Colony. He was Hon. Treasurer of that organisation when it amalgamated with the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and of the latter he was Hon. Treasurer and Committee member when the site of the present Club premises was selected.

In pony racing, Mr. Blason has also taken the keenest interest. About 1910, he took over the Hon. Secretaryship of the Gymkhana Club from Mr. R. F. C. Master and ran the Gymkhana until the Jockey Club absorbed the Gymkhana Club. Incidentally, it may be mentioned that Mr. Blason was Clerk of Course of the Jockey Club in 1923.

Mr. Blason has been one of the leading spirits in the Boy Scout movement here for many years. In 1922, he became the Hon. Treasurer of the Boy Scouts Association, whilst last year he was appointed Assistant Commissioner. He has been most active in furthering the movement and his services have been of the utmost value to the Association. He has been editor of *The Silver Wolf*, the official organ of the Association, and in this post he has been most painstaking and thorough. By his departure, the Boy Scout movement will lose one of its keenest supporters and friends.

It is also of interest to record that Mr. Blason, who has been a Justice of the Peace since 1926, was the first European resident of Shek-O, having gone there in February, 1925, and resided for about a year and a half as the only European in the new settlement. To his friends he was humorously known as "The King of Shek-O."

As might be expected, a man with such wide and diverse interests has made a host of friends in the Colony, amongst whom he is extremely popular by reason of his fine character and unfailing urbanity. By these, he will be greatly missed, and all will join us in wishing him many years of health and happiness in the Old Country.

LETTER GOLF
SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.
TEACH, PEACH, PEACE,
PLACE, PLANE, PLANS, CLANS,
CLASS.

WAR COMEDY AT
MAJESTIC.

"LOST AT THE FRONT."

The high spot in the careers of two of the stage and screen's greatest comedians, George Sidney and Charlie Murray, is reached in "Lost at the Front," which is now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon.

Murray, beloved by amusement fans since the "Keystone Kop" days, has his greatest chance in this First National war comedy, and so has Sidney, of "Perimeter" and "Potash" fame. Their co-starring roles in "Lost at the Front," which tops the list of war comedies as a laugh masterpiece, are outstanding in importance.

The photo-play, "Lost at the Front," which is presented by John McCormick and produced by Frank Griffin, was directed by the famous comedy director, Del Lord. It is something entirely new in the way of comedies dealing with the War World, using as a locale new in pictures, the Russo-German front. The production is elaborate in its spectacular scenes and thrills as well as mirth-provokers. Murray enacts the role of an Irish policeman in New York, who too old to enlist in the American army, joins that of Russia. Sidney as the New York saloon keeper, "August," is Murray's best friend. He is drafted by the Germans. They meet on the front, fight everywhere in several different uniforms each, and are hard at it right up to the moment the Armistice is signed.

Of course, there are pretty women in the picture—an army of them. In fact, since the Russian Woman's "Battalion of Death" figures in the story. Most beautiful of all is Natalie Kingston, First National's leading lady and Wampas "Baby Star" for 1927.

JUNK WITHOUT
LICENCE.POLICE ACCUSED OF BEING
TOO ALERT.

That he was stopped by the police before he had cast anchor, thereby presenting him from taking out a licence, was the excuse given by the folk of an unnumbered junk when he was charged with that offence at the Marine Court this morning before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N.

Defendant stated that he was from Amoy and had never been to Hongkong before. He had no intention of remaining permanently in the Colony, he said, but had only called here to discharge a cargo of alum which he brought from Amoy for a local Chinese firm.

Mr. W. McKay, Chief Junk Inspector, who was in Court, explained that defendant's craft was not a particular kind of trader, and usually, he continued, if this class of boat were to take out a licence for one trip, the authorities would be satisfied.

Defendant's statement that he was stopped outside the harbour was probably true, said Mr. McKay, but the fact that though he claimed to have come from Amoy he had no clearance paper suggested smuggling. In any case, the whole business looked very suspicious, concluded Mr. McKay.

Sgt. Lamont, prosecuting, informed his Worship that defendant had an Id licence which showed that his junk had been here in 1924. Asked what he had to say about that, defendant's story was that this licence belonged to the previous owner of his craft.

Commr. Newill, after due consideration, found defendant guilty and imposed a fine of \$5, with the alternative of five days' imprisonment.

FINE FILM AT THE
QUEEN'S.GRETA GARBO SEEN AT
HER BEST.

Greta Garbo is seen at her very best in "The Mysterious Lady," now showing at the Queen's Theatre. The first screenings took place yesterday and were much enjoyed.

The story is set in Vienna and in Russia, and it deals with the activities of a beautiful woman spy who has been entrusted with the task of luring an Austrian cavalry officer but who finds her task repugnant when she falls in love with him. There are some exciting scenes before a very striking climax is reached, and we can commend the film as being well worth seeing. The settings are particularly good, whilst the acting is of a very high order. In this later connexion, Greta Garbo as Tania, the spy; Conrad Nagel as the Austrian officer; and Gustav von Seyffertitz as Tania's husband, are especially noticeable.

A word must be added regarding the special music by the Queen's orchestra.

A British news reel and a clever Inkwell cartoon go to make up a most entertaining programme.

BATCH OF TRAFFIC
OFFENCES.SEVERAL CHINESE BEFORE
THE COURT.

LICENCE SUSPENDED.

Traffic summonses left over from Wednesday's exceptionally long list, were heard before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Summoned for soliciting, the Chinese driver of public car No. 627 was fined \$10.

Inspector Nicol said the defendant called away a European from a taxi at the Kowloon Star Ferry and took him to Tai Po.

The inference was that he was undercutting the taxi.

In another case, an Indian came forward and said he was appearing for his employee, a public car driver who had been summoned for obstruction. The man was not with him now, having left his employment.

Remarking that it made no difference to the case, his Worship imposed a fine of \$5.

Eight other public car drivers charged with obstruction were next lined up and all were fined \$5 on admitting the offence.

Lorry Driver's Case.

The driver of a Lingnam Transportation Company lorry was summoned for negligent driving and for not having proper control over his vehicle.

Traffic Sergeant J. Brown said he encountered the lorry at Whitfield. As it passed a stationary tram, it swerved to the right side of the road, but failed to return to its proper side after passing the tram, with the result that it almost came on top of witness, who was driving his combination.

Defendant admitted that he had two other persons besides himself, sitting on the driver's seat. As regards this, Sergeant Brown said he ascertained that one of the occupants had his legs over the controls, thereby depriving the driver of the proper control of his vehicle.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$10 on each summons.

Sixth Offence.

Having been already fined five times for obstruction and other offences, the driver of public car No. 434 met with drastic punishment when he again appeared before the Court on two new summonses for obstruction. He was fined \$5 on each summons while an order also came from the Bench for his licence to be suspended.

Driving a motor-cycle along Morrison Hill Gap Road at an speed of 25 miles an hour, an Indian almost collided with Inspector Nicol and another officer in a combination at the junction of Kennedy Road.

Inspector Nicol was instructed by his Worship to draw the attention of the C.S.P. to the man's licence.

The same defendant, on appearing as the driver of a public motor-car, was fined \$7 for loitering.

Seven Summonses.

Seven summonses were taken out against the driver of public car No. 291, but he did not attend Court. Instead, the young son of his employer appeared, to state that the driver was missing.

A BOON IN HOT
WEATHER.

A MONEY-MAKING ARTICLE.

It is not as widely realised as it should be what a boon Tundice Tanks are to all those who live in hot climates. These compact tanks are made on the thermos principle and therefore all bottles that are put in become and remain ice-cold for twenty-four hours.

What a great improvement this is on the ordinary ice-heat where only those bottles which are actually resting on or touching the ice become cold! Most of us have experienced the frantic and annoying search on a hot night for a really cold bottle, to the detriment of our tempers, and also we all know the number of times we have had to send back a warm soda because the "boy" could not be bothered to burrow down to find a cold one.

All this is eliminated by a Tundice, for the bottles are placed standing up and a remarkably small quantity of ice is placed on top of the bottles. This ice slowly melts and runs down the sides of the bottles and collects at the bottom of the tank. This means that all the bottles are standing in ice-cold water and not only become but remain ice-cold. Moreover, as these tanks are made on the thermos principle, the air inside becomes ice-cold so when a fresh bottle is put in, this also becomes beautifully cold in a very short time, though care must be exercised to replace the lid as soon as possible. A good method to adopt is to refill after three or four bottles have been taken out.

The small-sized tank can be carried easily by one person, so it becomes a matter of convenience to move it from room to room. This is a real boon on a hot night. These tanks can also be carried out to the tennis court, enabling cold drinks to be had at any moment instead of having to call for the "Boy" whenever one is required. Then again they are invaluable on any picnic—walking, launch, or car. The small size will fit comfortably under one's legs or there is another shape which fits to the shape of the running board and can be clamped on securely and safely.

The prices are so graded that they are within the reach of all pockets and the saving in ice soon pays for the outlay and then becomes a profit to the owner, besides adding very materially to comfort and luxury. No house is complete without one.

after, being given what they thought was a sufficient sum to cover any fines that might be inflicted by the Court.

On the application of Inspector Nicol, the case was adjourned.

Another driver of the same car pleaded guilty to two summonses for obstruction and was fined \$5 in respect of each offence.

Again, the young lad referred to came forward to say that he had been instructed by his father to pay the fine. He had, however, only \$8 on him, and asked for time to enable him to procure the full amount.

He was given an hour, but returned in less than five minutes to say he had got the money.

INDIAN SERGEANT HAS
DAY OUT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

His Worship:—So that isn't it the case that the Police are in a position to dispose of part of these charges?

Mr. Calthrop:—It is the combination of circumstances that makes it so serious. He has committed three offences.

Army Procedure.

His Worship referred Mr. Calthrop to Army procedure and recalled that he once sat on a Court-Martial in East Africa where an N. C. O. was accused of insubordinate conduct. It appeared that he had been sent for by an officer but did not obey the summons. He was sent for again but did not go. The next time the officer saw him the N. C. O. did not stand to attention while speaking.

These three things should have been dealt with separately and at the time, said his Worship. When N. C. O. did not obey the order in the first instance he should have been placed under arrest.

The officer did not do that and let the offences accumulate until the end of the day, when he said he had got enough for a Court-Martial. The N. C. O. was acquitted, however, because it was held that each offence should have been dealt with at the time.

Mr. Calthrop replied that the present case was not quite on a parallel with the instance quoted by his Worship. He pointed out that only one of the present offences could have been dealt with at the time and that was the one of being absent from duty. In respect of the second allegation it was not known by the prosecution where the prisoner was. It was only discovered at 8.30 p.m. that he was under the influence of liquor.

Dazed and Unsteady.

Mr. Calthrop called Inspector Munro to give evidence. Witness, describing the prisoner's condition, said that the man was dazed and could not walk steadily. He also smelt strongly of drink. In reply to Mr. Calthrop witness said that he formed the impression that he was drunk and unfit for duty.

His Worship:—Was he due for duty?

Witness replied that he was not at the station and therefore could not be told to go on duty that night.

Mr. Calthrop intimated that he could prove that according to regulations it was an offence whether he was due to go on duty or not. A police officer, continued Mr. Calthrop, was not entitled to get drunk whether on or off duty.

Inspector Munro said that accused had sobered up by the time he reached Shamshuipo Police Station, and witness did not think it necessary to send for a doctor.

His Worship:—You don't think a doctor would have said he was drunk?—I don't think he would have done.

Three Offences.

His Worship said he intended to consider certain points and suggested that Mr. Calthrop should also consider whether it would not be better to deal with the case departmentally. He was very doubtful whether he could consider the three offences cumulatively. He would also like Mr. Calthrop to consider the degree of drunkenness. He himself knew something about drunkenness as regarded in the Army.

Of course, in the Civil Court, drunkenness was usually defined in the Ordinance. The various degrees were usually determined according to whether a man was fit to do his duty or not. The prisoner did not seem to have been very much under the influence of liquor as he sobered up as to make it unnecessary to get a doctor. If possible, his Worship suggested that Mr. Calthrop should take legal advice.

It seemed to him, added his Worship, that if he was prepared to hear or dispose of one or more of the charges there was no reason why the other charge or charges should not be disposed of departmentally.

Mr. Calthrop said that if his Worship decided he could not take the charges cumulatively the first two offences could be treated departmentally.

Released on Bail.

At the request of Mr. Calthrop, Detective Sergeant Brittain, who is leaving for Home to-morrow, was called. Witness corroborated Inspector Munro.

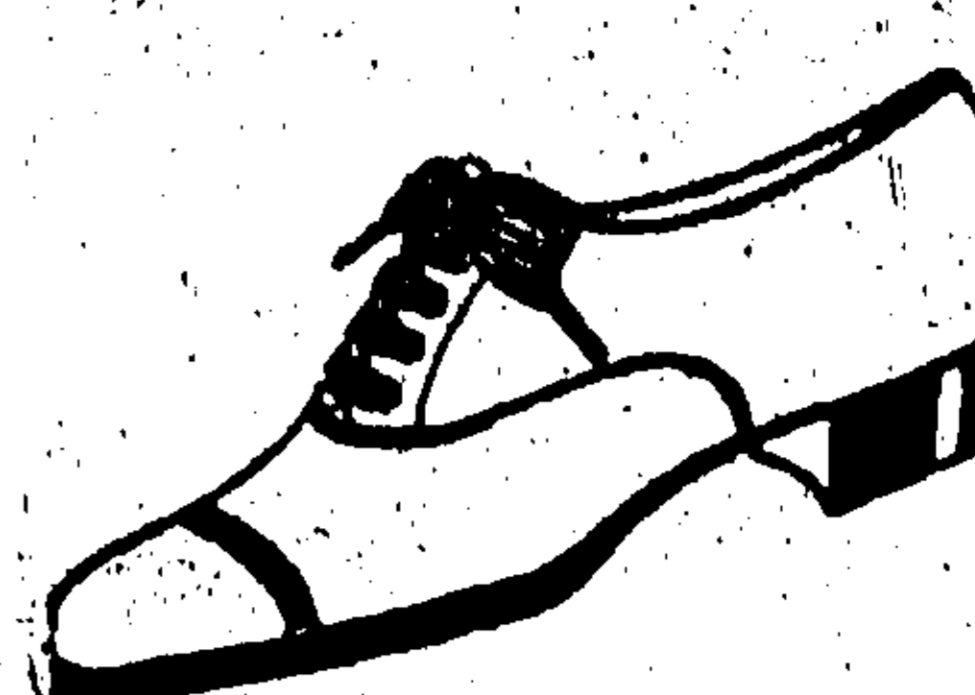
The prisoner intimated a desire to engage a solicitor.

His Worship said that he thought it was advisable.

The case was adjourned till next Thursday, bail being allowed in the sum of \$200.

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TO-DAY

and

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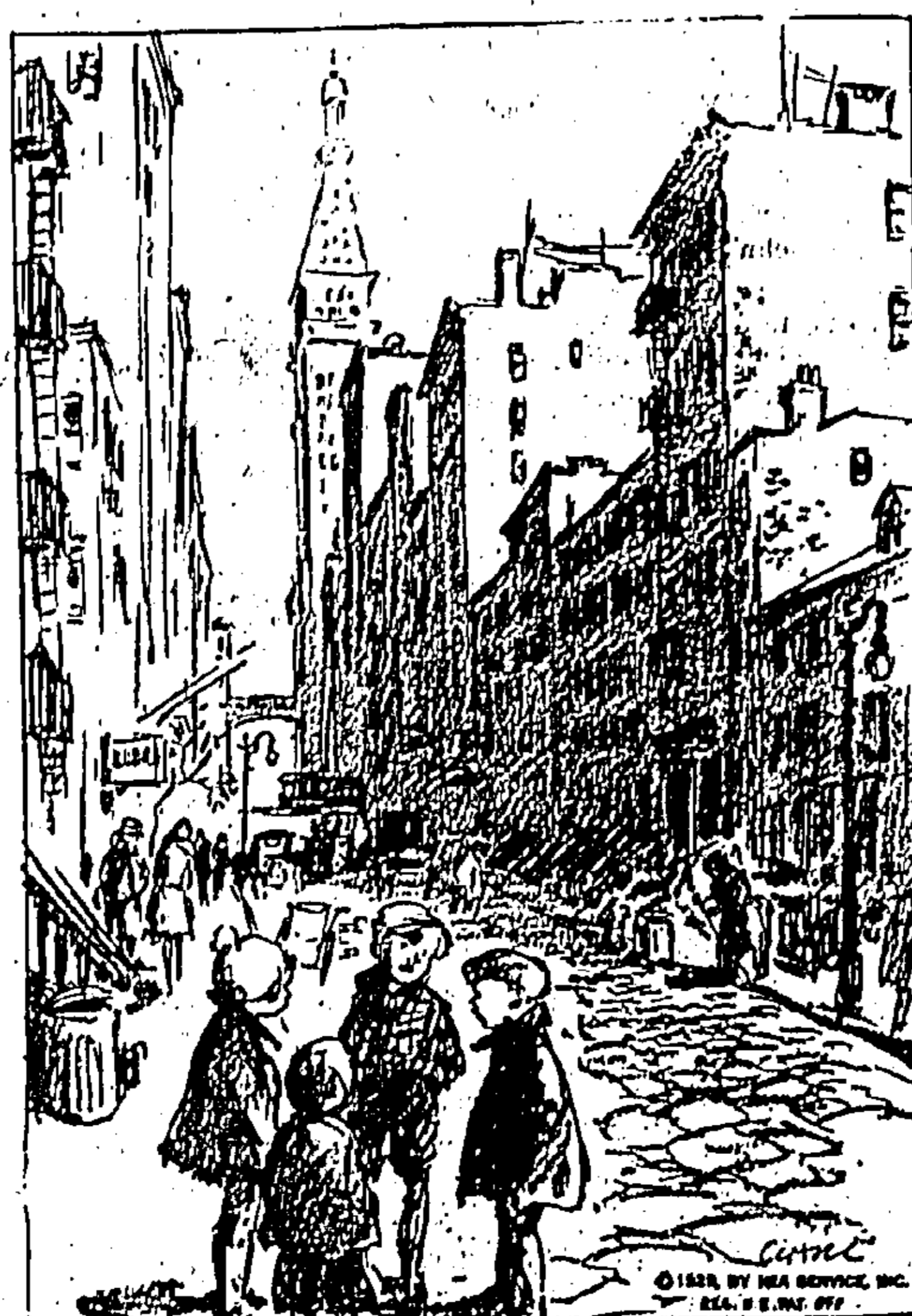
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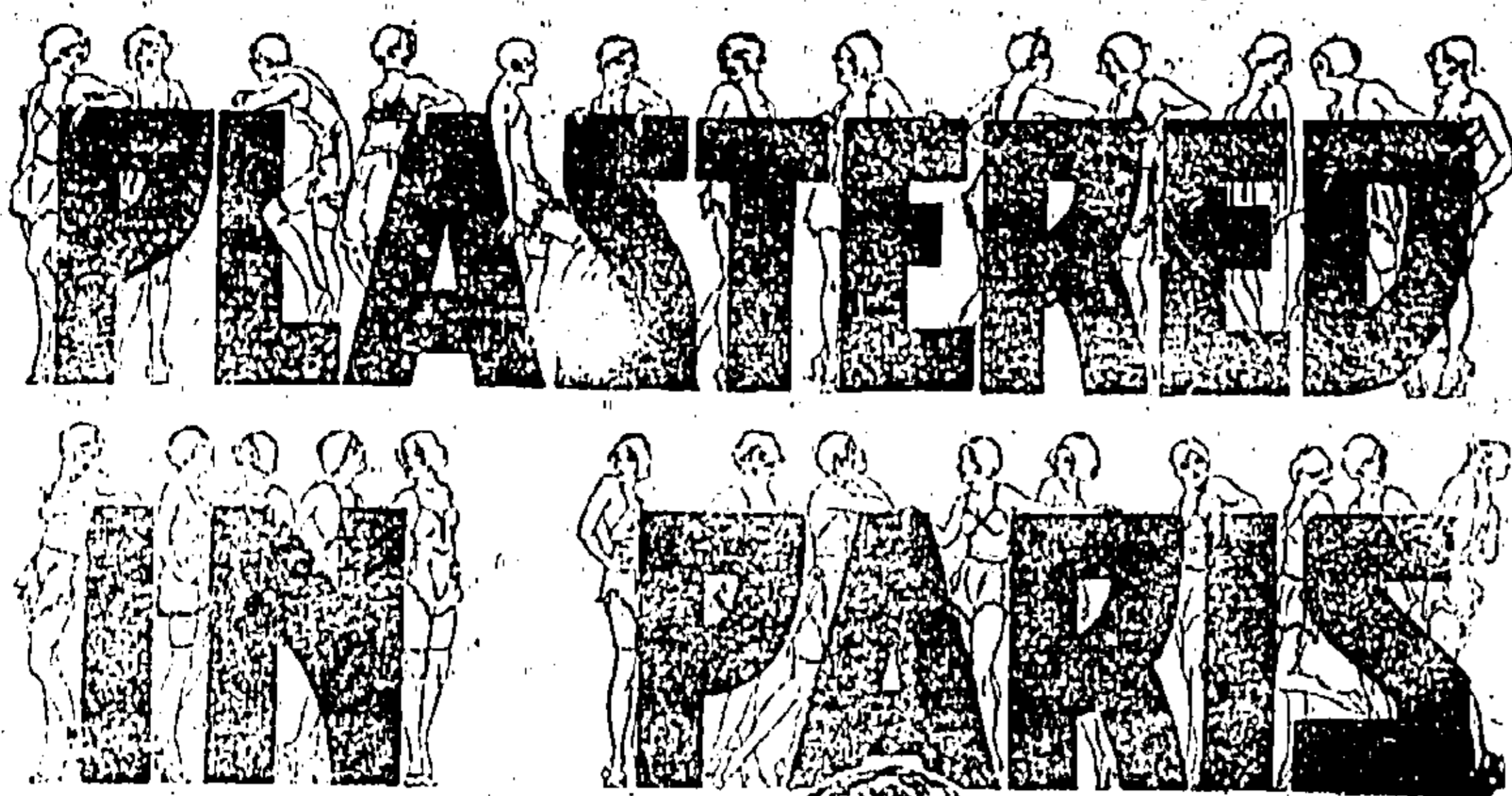


"Let's play Desert Island."

A £100 trophy is to be presented for annual competition among British professional players by the Lawn Tennis Association of Great Britain, the holder to be Vincent a Reading motor manufacturer.

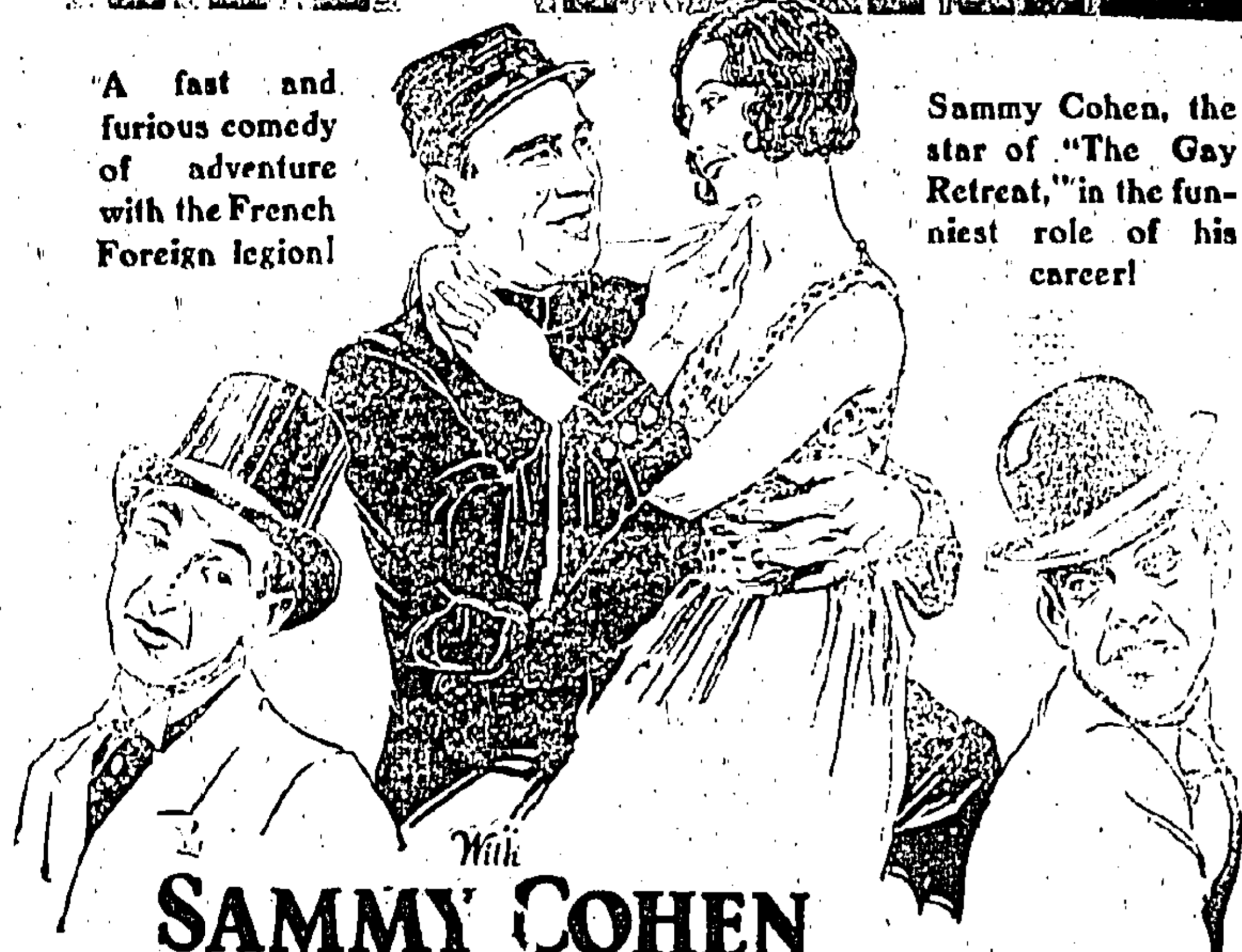
Queen Victoria's travelling and sleeping carriage, built in 1884, was sold by auction at Guildford for seventeen guineas to Mr. W. Vincent, a Reading motor manufacturer.

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SEMI-FINALS.

KOWLOON V. RECREIO.

(By "Wanderer.")

Great excitement prevails in the clubs still interested in the Shield competitions, and the semi-finals which are to be played to-morrow are expected to produce some thrilling games. It is rather curious, though eminently satisfactory, that only one of the four Senior teams left in the struggle, is in the upper half of the League table.

Most interest will be centred in the match between Kowloon and the Club de Recreation, not only because South China are expected to account for the Royal Artillery comfortably, but also because Kowloon have a great reputation to maintain in the way of consecutive appearances in the final.

The Recreation have never yet reached the final stage of the competition, but they are expected to make Kowloon go all the way for victory to-morrow.

The fixtures, together with grounds, times of kick-off and officials appointed, are as follows.

Senior Shield.

Kowloon v. Recreation—Sookumpoo, 4.30 p.m.—Referee: Mr. Vosper; Linesmen: Messrs. Anderson and Bunting.
R.A. v. South China—Club, 4.30 p.m.—Referee: Mr. Atkinson; Linesmen: Messrs. Grieve and Clark.

Junior Shield.

Navy v. S. China "A"—Sookumpoo, 2.30.—Referee: Mr. Stokes; Linesmen: Messrs. Lawrence and Lamb.
K.O.S.B. v. Athletic "B"—Club, 2.30.—Referee: Mr. Cowan; Linesmen: Messrs. Lees and Masters.

Junior League.

Somersets v. Eastern—Chatham Rd., 3 p.m.—Mr. Ip-Kau-ko.
Kowloon v. Small Units—Kowloon, 3 p.m.—Mr. Mose.
R.A. v. Recreation—Caroline Hill, 3 p.m.—Mr. Swallow.

The Senior Games.

There are lots of rumours abroad in respect of the teams of both Kowloon and the Club de Recreation, one of them being that "Andy" Duncan will make one of his rare appearances in the Kowloon side. Kowloon have been training seriously, and with two successive league victories, and the memories of their success against the Athletic, to spur them on, will start with good prospects. Most of the Recreation players returned fit and well from their Shanghai trip early this week, and I understand, the rest arrived by the Naldera to-day. A keen struggle is anticipated, and in some quarters the Recreation are tipped as Shield winners. They have a pretty formidable hurdle to negotiate to-morrow, and may the best team win.

South China's lapse of form recently has been more apparent than real and they should have no difficulty in qualifying for the final.

The Juniors.

There seems nothing to stop the two Junior League leaders from fighting out the final of the Junior Shield Competition also. Neither of the Chinese teams is expected to survive to-morrow's games.

LEAGUE POINTS.

Athletic Nearly Slip.

Chinese Athletic defeated the Royal Artillery by one goal to nil yesterday afternoon, but they very narrowly escaped the loss of a point. The goal did not come until the 69th minute of the game, though the Athletic were superior from start to finish.

Their ineptitude was due to weakness in front of goal. Suen Kam-shun and Chan Kwong-ul failed to produce the form which so upset the Borders on Saturday, and the right wing could do very little.

The strength of the side was in the half-back line, and the Royal Artillery were prevented from becoming really dangerous.

Suen scored a minute from the end, a nice effort in a determined final spurt.

The Athletic are now paired at the head of the table with the Somersets.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR
SUNDAY.

Early times on the Fanling golf course on Sunday are allotted to players in the match between the Club and the United Services, these being from 9.24 to 10 a.m. It is to be noted that there is no 9.3 train. The 8.30 train arrives at 9.07 and the 9.15 at 10.15. Starting times are:

10.04 a.m.—J. Gardner and N. S. Ellis.
10.08 a.m.—Major Beamish and A. Leach.
10.12 a.m.—F. M. Ellis and D. J. Gilmore.
10.16 a.m.—J. P. Warren and E. D. Black.
10.20 a.m.—J. S. Dykes and A. R. Cox.
10.24 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and W. A. Weight.
10.28 a.m.—W. C. Clark and A. G. Coppin.
10.32 a.m.—A. D. Humphreys and G. W. Sewell.
10.36 a.m.—N. K. Littlejohn and A. O. Brann.
10.40 a.m.—W. K. Tait and G. S. Drummond.
10.44 a.m.—H. N. Laver and A. Piercy.
10.48 a.m.—H. R. Stuart and J. W. Alabaster.
10.52 a.m.—D. Stewart and C. Blaker.
10.56 a.m.—I. H. Geare and C. T. Fowle.
11.00 a.m.—K. L. Dugan and E. D. Lawrence.
11.04 a.m.—L. Garner and P. J. Jacks.
11.08 a.m.—D. S. Edwards and G. B. S. Thomson.
11.12 a.m.—W. J. S. Key and C. J. Waddell.
11.16 a.m.—C. Fox and S. S. Perry.
11.20 a.m.—C. E. Holmes and T. L. Christie.
11.24 a.m.—S. F. Chubb and B. J. Lacon.
11.28 a.m.—J. E. Dovey and T. A. Martin.

H.K.C.C. V. THE REST.

THE CLUB'S ELEVEN FOR
TO-MORROW.

The teams selected to represent the H.K.C.C. in winners of the 1st and 2nd Leagues, respectively, against the Rest of the League, to-morrow are as follows:

1st XI (on H.K.C.C. ground): H. R. Hancock (Capt.), A. C. I. Bowker, A. G. Dobbie, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. W. Hayward, O. Moor, H. Owen Hughes, H. V. Parker, E. K. Quirk, V. W. L. Stanton, C. D. Wales.

2nd XI (on C.T.C. ground): A. H. Gillingham (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, G. E. R. Divett, R. H. Dowler, E. H. Duckitt, H. L. P. Ewin, W. A. H. Maxwell, A. Reid, J. A. Summers, W. K. Tait, S. M. Walkinshaw.

THE PRINCESS'S NECKLACE.

EX-KAISER'S SISTER'S
PEARL CASE.

COURT RIDDLE.

Berlin, Mar. 13.

New facts are known to-day of the insolvency of Frau Zoubkoff, the ex-Kaiser's sister Princess Victoria, who was formerly the widowed princess of Schaumburg-Lippe.

Prince Adolf of Schaumburg-Lippe, as the head of her first husband's family, started the court proceedings.

Before marrying Zoubkoff, the princess had agreed to hand over her property to the administrators of the Schaumburg-Lippe estates, receiving in exchange £2,400 a year for life.

It appears that after the Zoubkoff marriage the annuity was reduced to £1,950, Frau Zoubkoff being "no longer a princess entitled to the dower of a widow belonging to a princely family."

Pearl Necklace Puzzle.

Property that the princess was to hand over to the Schaumburg-Lippe (they said) included family jewels.

Frau Zoubkoff asserts, however, that she was given permission to retain a pearl necklace (worth £1,800) during her life, and on her marriage it was handed to her lawyer to prove that she still possessed it.

But the estate had instructed the lawyer to sell it for £1,600 (without Frau Zoubkoff's knowledge) in order to pay her debts.

Only £800, however, was used for paying debts; the other half went to the Schaumburg-Lippe estates (say the Princess's lawyers).

This matter has been in litigation for months. So has Frau Zoubkoff's demand for a £3,000 pension from her first husband's family.

Frau Zoubkoff thinks the insolvency proceedings are intended to frustrate her efforts to obtain her rights with the help of the courts.

Racing Experiments.

When the ex-Princess's husband was expelled from Germany, she placed the management of her affairs in the hands of one of his friends, another Russian.

The latter took charge in the ex-Princess's palace at Bonn. It is said that he and a bookmaker helped persuade Frau Zoubkoff to buy a racing stable of 16 horses.

Payment was made by bills of exchange, but the vendor says these were not met.

Ex-Princess Victoria knows little of business, and it is being said that her advisers have secured a large proportion of the money.

Meanwhile, Frau Zoubkoff will probably have to leave her palace at Bonn.

LABOUR ELECTION PROGRAMME.

(Continued from Page 1.)

structive as revealing the Socialist mind at the moment. It may be regarded as surprising that Mr. George Lansbury should be named for a major Cabinet post, but Mr. Lansbury has been on the front Opposition Bench for some time, and he has a greater influence in the inner circles of the party than out side observers might think.

It is regarded almost as certain that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald would not hold both the Premiership and the position of Foreign Secretary, as he did in 1924. His health would not again bear the strain.

Woman in Major Post?

It is also regarded as highly probable that either Miss Margaret Bondfield or Miss Susan Lawrence would have a major office, either at the Ministry of Health or the Board of Agriculture. So far no woman has held more than a junior office in a British Government.

There are numerous other posts for which there are freely named men like Captain Woodrow Benn (probably Chief Whip), Mr. E. Shinnell (Minister of Mines in the last Labour Administration), Sir Oswald Mosley, Lord Gorell, Mr. Rhys J. Davies, Lord Arnold, Mr. Moryan Jones, Mr. Tom Kennedy, Mr. J. J. Lawson, Mr. J. H. Hayes, Mr. H. B. Lees Smith, Mr. A. V. Alexander (who by some is suggested for important office), Lieut.-Col. C. L'Estrange Malone, Mr. Alfred Barnes, and Mr. G. M. Gillett. The last-named would probably find himself with an office at the Treasury.

The elevation of Mr. Sidney Webb to the peerage would create no surprise. His safe seat at Seaham Harbour is to be contested by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald at the General Election.

The list of potential Cabinet Ministers is interesting from another point of view—that the trade union strength of the party is more strongly represented in it than was the case in 1924.

TORNADO DISASTER.

A BIG CASUALTY LIST IN
ARKANSAS.

Little Rock, Ark., Apr. 11.

Hitherto nine people are dead and forty are injured, as the result of a tornado in the district north of Newport.

Later. It is now estimated that 29 are dead and scores injured.

The tornado picked up several persons and bodily carried them a considerable distance before dashing them to earth. Most of the injuries, however, were caused by collapsing houses.—*Reuter's American Service.*



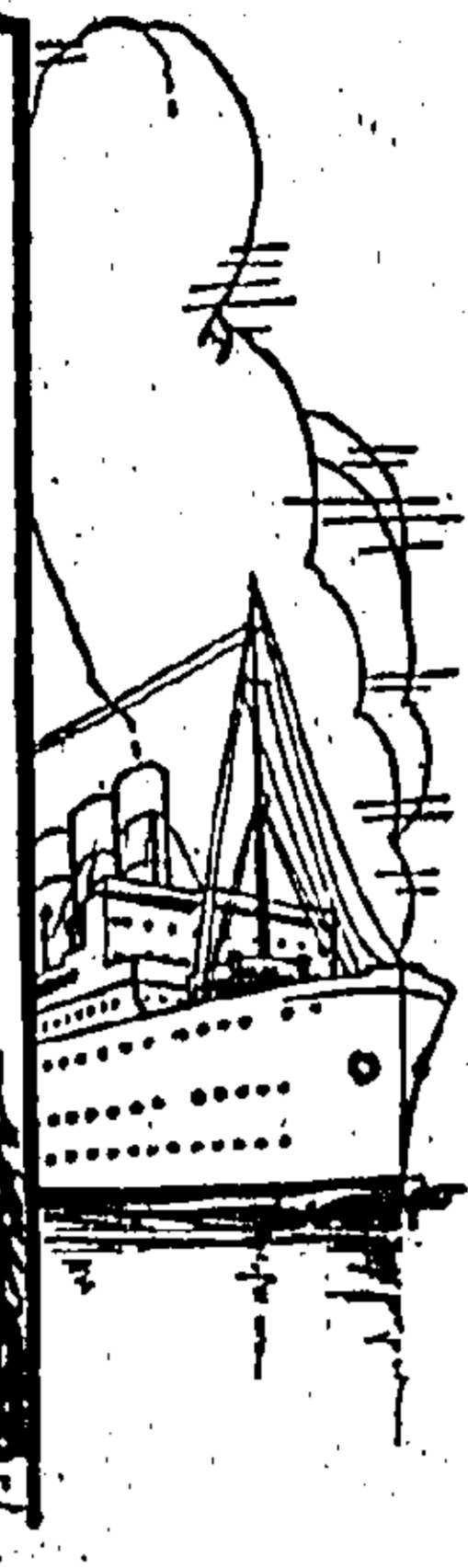


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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant.
1. Musketry.—The Machine Gun Company will fire Table "T" at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 14th April, 1929.
Range Officer: Lieut. H. Owen Hughes.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and sail at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.
Dress: Musketry Order i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet, braces, pouches or handbags. Uniform or multi optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 12th April, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m., or 6 and 8 p.m. and on Saturday, 13th April, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

2. Musketry Cup.

The following results of the Annual Musketry Competition for the Musketry Challenge Cup presented by The Commandant for season 1928, is published for information:

Units.	Order in Competition	Average
Machine Gun Company	1st	64.50
Scottish Company	2nd	70.70
Mounted Infantry Company	3rd	64.70
Portuguese Company	4th	62.60
Reserve Company	5th	76.60
Engineer Company	6th	64.40
Corps Band	7th	64.62
Armoured Car Company	8th	60.64
The Battery	9th	58.48

Corps average in Part II, 62.10.

The Commandant offers his congratulations to Captain E. J. R. Mitchell and to his Company for winning the Cup.

The winning Company retain the Cup for one year.

3. Band.

The Band will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18th April in multi for Band Practice.

Thursday, 18th April, 1929. All ranks will parade at Causeway Bay Stables at 5.30 p.m. for mounted drill.

4. Mounted Infantry Company.

Thursday, 18th April, 1929. All ranks will parade at Causeway Bay Stables at 5.30 p.m. for mounted drill.

5. Armoured Car Company.
Car Section. Monday, 15th April. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

Dress: Multi.
Motor Cycle Section. Monday, 15th April. All ranks will parade with motor cycle at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for instructional ride. Sidecar outfits will be in charge of 1/Cpl. Thomas and Pte. Groome.

Dress: Multi.

6. Machine Gun Company.

The Company will parade for ceremonial practice for arrival of Duke of Gloucester at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 18th April. Dress: Multi, belt and side arm with rifle.

Musketry. Attention of all ranks is drawn to this Corps Order para. 1.

7. Scottish Company.

Thursday, 18th April, 1929. Platoons will parade at 5.30 p.m. under: Nos. 6 Platoons at Corps Headquarters for passing out in Vickers Gun Standard Tests—under 2nd Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

No. 6 Platoon at Kennedy Road Range for M.G. Part I. under Lieut. G. Duncan, M.B.E. (Ford Truck will be at Queen's Pier at 5.10 p.m.).

All ranks of the Company are reminded to have their Standard Test Cards with them on these parades.

8. Portuguese Company.

Friday, 19th April, 1929. The Company will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Platoon arrangements.

Part I. Musketry. All ranks who have not yet fired Part I. Musketry are reminded that Sunday, 28th April is the day allotted to the Company for firing.

It is most essential that everyone

THE WILSON CASE.

JUDGE'S RULING TO GO BEFORE COUNCIL.

Macao, Apr. 11.
Joseph L. Wilson was taken before the Court to-day, and stated: "I am a Filipino citizen. I was present when sentenced by the Manila Court of the first instance, and have appealed to Washington against the sentence."

The Judge will forward his ruling to the Legislative Council for the Council's decision regarding extradition or otherwise, on Thursday next.

(Joseph Wilson, accused of embezzlement, is the fugitive from the Philippines who is contesting the right of the authorities there to get him extradited from Macao.)

who has not fired this season should do so on that date.

All rifles and bayonets should be returned to Headquarters Stores immediately.

9. Reserve Company.

Thursday, 18th April. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun drill. Dress: Multi.

10. Strength.

The following recruits have been taken on the strength and posted as under:
No. 1464 Pte. W. L. Ramsey, No. 4 Section, M. G. Coy, as from 6.4.29.
No. 1465 Bandman G. A. Franco, Corps Band, as from 8.4.29.

11. Resignation.

The following extract from the Hongkong Government Gazette No. 17 of the 6th April is repeated for information:
"His Excellency The Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of Lieutenant Thomas Graham Wall of his Commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from 16th March, 1929."

12. Leave.

Lieut. J. E. Hancock, M. C. Section, sick leave from 8.4.29 to 7.5.29.
No. 1167 1/Cpl. W. Loureiro, No. 11 Platoon, sick leave from 8.4.29 to 7.5.29.

No. 812 C. S. M. A. Gillard, A. S. C. Cadre, from 4.5.29 to 19.11.29.
No. 1446 Pte. A. J. R. Wolf, No. 1 Section, M. G. Coy, from 9.4.29 to 8.4.30.

No. 732 Sergt. W. E. Price, Battery, from 13.4.29 to 12.4.30.

13. Struck Off the Strength.

Having left the Colony as from 26.3.29.
No. 1445 Pte. W. E. Jenner, No. 1 Section, M. G. Coy.

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Notices.

1. Garrison Rifle Meeting.
The conditions of the Garrison Rifle Meeting to be held on 13th May can be seen on application to The Adjutant.

2. Royal Artillery Sports.

Half Mile Open Events. There will be an Open Half Mile Event in the above Sports to take place at Sookunpoo on Friday, 19th April, commencing about 5 p.m.

The event is open to Royal Navy, Garrison Units (British and Indian) including the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, R.A.F., and Hongkong Police.

Entries to reach the R.A. Sports Officer by Monday, 15th April, 1929.
3. Annual Sports H.K.S. B.R.A.
There will be an open Relay Race in the H.K.S. Brigade R.A. Annual Sports on Tuesday, April 23. One team of 4 men can be entered.

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5.30-6.30 p.m. Programme of Chinese Music, (Oriental Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Pléasant Co.)

7.45 p.m. Evening Weather Report.
8 p.m. Evening Programme, (Columbia Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Co.)

"Homage," (Wagner) March, "Daily Taskman's Radio Minstrels," Vocal.

Sir Dan Godfrey and the Symphony Orchestra.
"I Am A Lost One," March, Zither and Piano.

"Marenka Polka," "Tango of the Death," L. Cavallini, Greek Sextette.

"Pagliacci," (Leoncavallo) Duet: Rosetta Pampanini and Gino Vanelli.

"Sonata in F" (Handel), Viola Solo, Lionel Tertis.

"Roll On, Thou Deep and Dark Blue Ocean," Bass, Norman Allin.

"Symphony No. 34 in C" (Mozart), Sir Thomas Beecham and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

"Otello-Credo," Baritone, Riccardo Stracciari.

"On the Steppes of Central Asia," Orchestre De La Societe Des Concerts Du Conservatoire, Paris.

"Quartet in E Minor," (Smetana), Lenor String Quartet.

"By The Blue Hawaiian Waters," "Jungle Drums," Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

"La Traviata," (Verdi), "Un Ballo in Maschera," (Verdi), Baritone, Riccardo Stracciari.

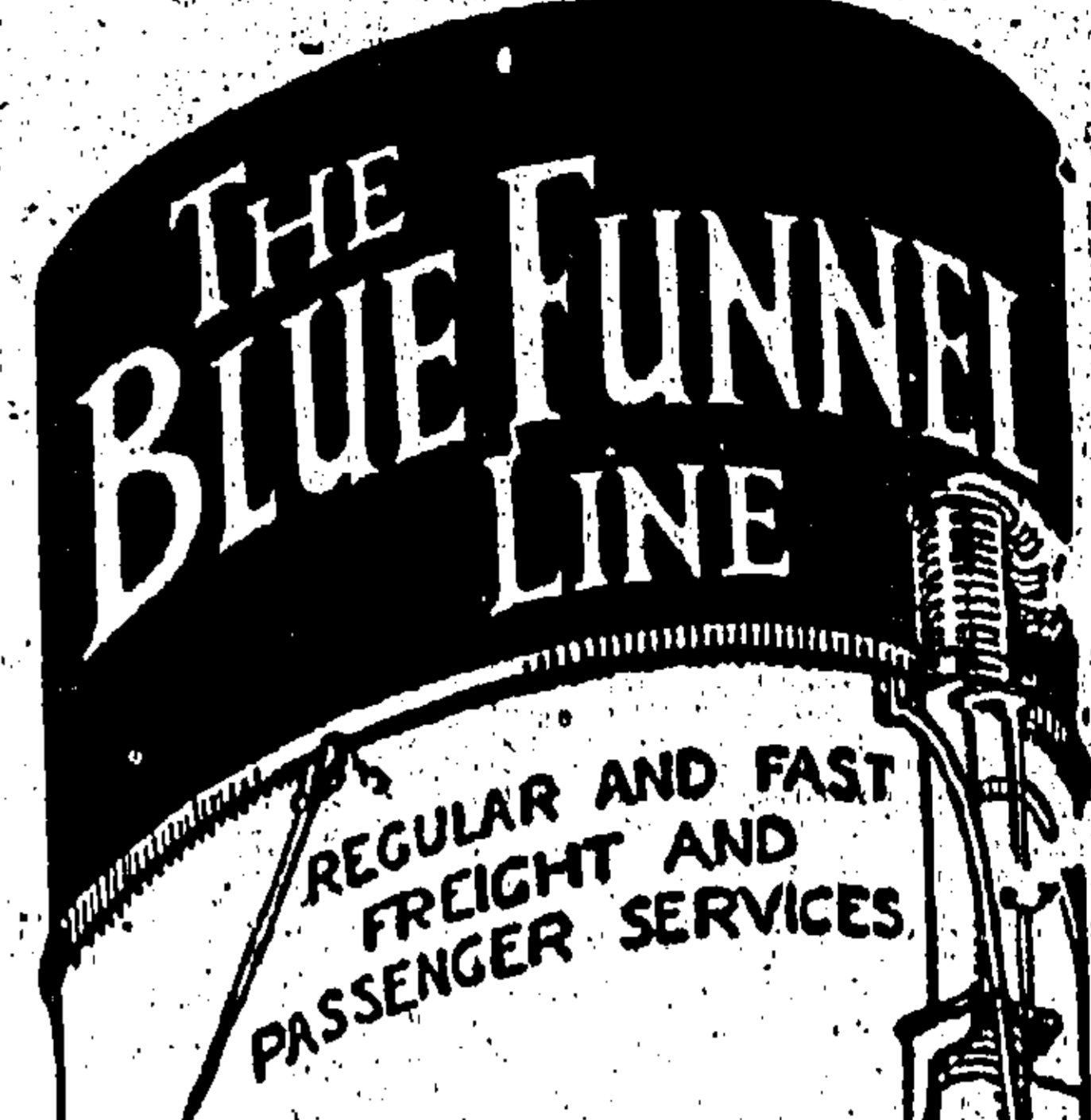
"Semiramide," (Rossini), B.B.C.'s Wireless Symphony Orchestra.

"The Bat," (Strauss), Selection, Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

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THREE MEN IN A BOAT.

PIRACY AT TAI NAM CHUNG RECALLED YESTERDAY.

A piracy committed at Tai Nam Chung in the vicinity of Castle Peak over twelve months ago had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when a Chinese appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith on charges of participation in an armed robbery and kidnapping of three foks of a junk on March 21, 1928.

Inspector J. Ogg appeared for the prosecution and outlining the case said that the owner of the junk in question was a man named Siu Ping-yung, who was the proprietor of a lime kiln at Sha Kong, Deep Bay. The boat was used for transporting lime to various parts of the country and made periodical visits to Castle Peak.

On March 20, 1928, the junk left Sha Kong with a cargo of lime for Castle Peak at which place the consignments was unloaded and sold for \$65.80. There were three foks on board and with this money in their possession they sailed for Hongkong. On arrival at Tai Nam Chung the crew found there was an absence of five or six p.m.

The three men in the boat lay down for a rest and were later suddenly aroused by their junk being bumped. On looking up they saw another boat alongside theirs with eight men on board. The strangers, who were armed with revolvers, embarked on the lime junk and held up the crew who were imprisoned in the hold.

The boat was put under way and after several hours sailing the victims were taken ashore to a house where they were kept prisoners. Four or five days later the eldest of the three men was liberated with letters from each of the other two men asking their parents to pay a ransom for their release. The master of the kiln at Sha Kong accordingly paid \$370 for the foks' release.

During their captivity the men were threatened and ill-treated. The defendant was alleged to have taken an active part in the robbery as well as in their treatment when in confinement. One of the men at first refused to write the letter requesting his parents to pay his ransom and the defendant was stated to have put wire round his head and tortured the man by tightening it.

Almost exactly a year later one of the two foks of the kiln who resumed their former occupations after being liberated, was in a shop in the New Territories when he recognised the defendant. He immediately returned to the other victim who was taken to the shop and also identified the man. The Police were informed and the alleged robber arrested.

The man who was liberated and delivered the letters was not now working at the kiln and could not be found. There were therefore only two witnesses of the actual occurrence.

The case was adjourned.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS.

SEARCHERS ALSO MISSING.

Sydney, Apr. 11.

Lieutenant Keith Anderson and his pilot, Robert Hitchcock, both of whom were recently engaged in litigation with the "Southern Cross" fliers, Capt. Kinesford Smith and Mr. Ulm, in connection with the Pacific flight and had been searching for the "Southern Cross" crew since April 7, are themselves now missing.

Anderson and Hitchcock should have arrived at Wyndham, in North-West Australia, yesterday evening, but nothing has been heard of them since they left Newcastle Waters, 400 miles from Wyndham.—*Reuter.*

THE NEW DELHI OUTRAGE.

CONDEMNED AT MEETING OF ASSEMBLY.

New Delhi, Apr. 11.

The Legislative Assembly re-assembled, and Mr. Patel ruled that discussion of the Public Safety Bill was out of order.

After this he read a message from the Viceroy, who will address the House to-day.

Sir George Schuster occupied a seat in the Assembly, and Sir John and Lady Simon were present in the President's gallery.

Before giving his ruling Mr. Patel submitted a resolution recording the horror and indignation of the Assembly at the dastardly outrage of April 8, deeply sympathising with Sir Bomanji Dalal and the others injured, expressing profound relief that the results were not more serious, unreservedly condemning the outrage, and assuring the authorities of full support in such reasonable steps as may be necessary to prevent a recurrence.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Ruling Explained.

In delivering his ruling Mr. Patel said the Government statement on April 4 was a direct challenge to the Chair, and undermined its authority. The Law Member in quoting Parliamentary authority had left out an important sentence, namely it was "entirely within the discretion of the Chair whether it could submit a new point of order."

Mr. Patel was convinced a debate was impossible while the Meerut trial was pending. Such a debate would only be a farce and fraud. Mr. Patel claimed that the Speaker exercised his direct influence on Legislative action in the House. Power not to put a motion to the House was not expressly given, but accrued by implication and analogy, therefore he ruled that the Safety Bill was out of order.

This ruling was received very quietly.—*Reuter.*

[A New Delhi message of April 4 stated:

The Hon. Mr. James Crerar, who is officiating as Home Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council, announced in the Assembly to-day that the Government view of the rules was that the President of the Assembly, Mr. Patel, was not empowered to disallow discussion of the Public Safety Bill while the Meerut trials were in progress. Mr. Patel had ruled accordingly when the Bill was re-introduced on April 2.]

Trades Dispute Bill.

New Delhi, Apr. 11.

The Council of State has passed without change the Trades Dispute Bill, which the Assembly passed on April 8.

The measure was prepared by the Government of India, based on sections of the British trade union legislation, establishing a court of enquiry composed of disinterested persons to investigate disputes, also a joint conciliation board, and laying down penalties for stoppage of work by employees of public utility services on monthly wages, also persons fostering strikes and lock-outs to coerce the Government or having any object other than furtherance of a trade dispute within an industry in which the disputants are directly engaged.

The opposition in the Legislative Assembly urged a postponement of the Bill until publication of the report of the Whitley Commission enquiring into labour conditions.—*Reuter.*

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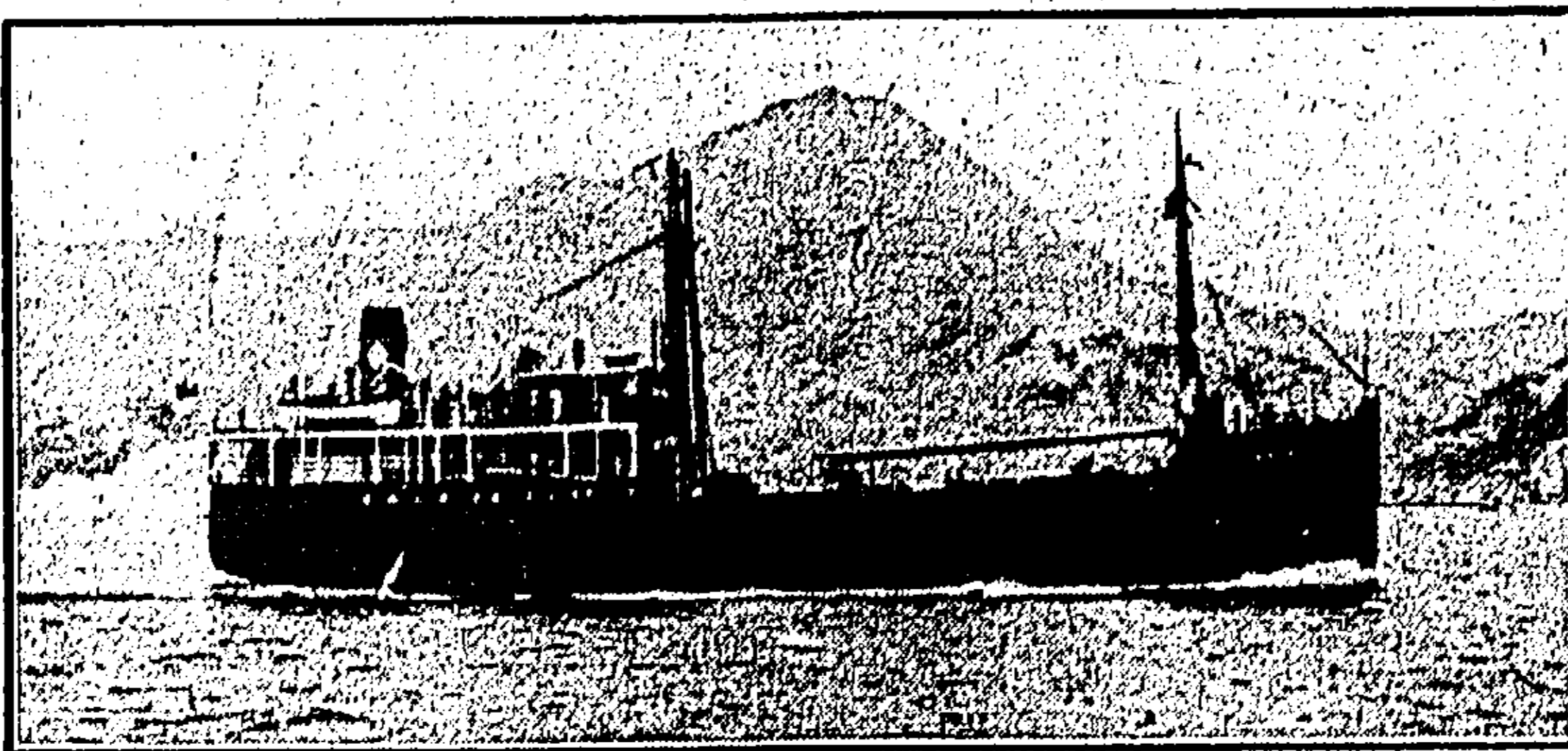
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MAIPORE	5,273	4th May.	M'les, London, Hull, A'werp, Rotterdam & Hamburg
KIDDERPORE	5,334	8th May.	Straits & Bombay
KALYAN	9,144	11th May.	Marseilles, L'don & Hull
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ARAFURA	6,000	16th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
TAKADA	6,949	16 Apr. 6 a.m.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
MOREA	10,953	26th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TALAMBA	8,018	28th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TALMA	10,000	7th May.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka
TANDA	6,956	7th May.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
PEMIM	7,648	9th May.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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THE GOVERNOR OF MACAO.
RECEIVES WARM WELCOME IN MANILA.

Manila, Apr. 11.
The Governor of Macao, Senhor Artur Tamagnini Barbosa, left with his family on board the President Monroe, after a short visit to Manila.
Although travelling unofficially, the distinguished visitor was received by Governor-General Gilmore with full military honours. Senhor Barbosa could not accept a banquet offered by the Governor-General owing to previous engagements, as different entertainments were given in his honour.
The newspapers, in all colours, published articles and pictures about Governor Tamagnini Barbosa, who left a wonderful impression in this capital.

THE KING'S PROGRESS.
DIATHERMY TREATMENT APPLIED.

London, Apr. 11.
H.M. the King passed another good day.
Despite a keen wind, His Majesty spent practically the whole morning sitting and walking in the ground of Craigwell House.
During the afternoon, Dr. Howitt travelled down to Bognor and applied the diathermy treatment which the King is receiving for the rheumatic trouble in his shoulder.—*British Wireless.*
Yesterday's health return shows two Chinese cases of small-pox, two of diphtheria (one British and the other Chinese), as well as one Japanese case of typhoid.

PARKING CARS AT HAPPY VALLEY.

CLERK OF RACE COURSE SUMMONED.

THE A.A. DEFENDING.

The question of parking cars outside the main gate of the race enclosure at Happy Valley has been taken up by the Automobile Association in connexion with a summons issued by the Traffic Department against a member, Mr. W. D. Fiddes Wilson.
Mr. Wilson is Clerk of the Course, and he is being summoned for obstruction by parking his car outside the main gate.
When the case was called before Major C. Willson at the Central Police Court this morning, Mr. Horace Lo said he had been instructed by the Automobile Association to appear for Mr. Fiddes Wilson and to plead not guilty.
His Worship indicated that he would not have the time to take the case to-day, and he adjourned it until Monday afternoon.
A similar summons against Mahomed Yusuf, chauffeur of private car No. 1271, was also adjourned. Mr. Lo stating that he was instructed to appear for the defendant on this summons also.
Mr. B. A. Proulx, of the Dollar Steamship Company, appeared in response to a summons charging him with causing an obstruction with his car at Wongneichong Road on the 22nd of last month.
Sergeant Kelly said the summons against Mr. Proulx was similar to the ones in which Mr. Lo appeared.
Mr. Proulx, on entering a plea admitting the offence, was fined \$5.

NEW WAR IN CHINA UNLIKELY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Chiang's Overtures.

Shanghai, Apr. 12.
It is reported that the Wuhan remnants are retreating in two directions. Some, under the command of Generals Tao Chun and Hu Tsung-tu, are retreating to Ichang and the Upper River districts, while those under Generals Hsin Wei and Ye-chi are moving to the southern part of Hunan. Marshal Chiang has sent representatives to interview these Generals with a view to persuading them to surrender, but so far no settlement has been arrived at.
Some of the Wuhan commanders have intimated that they will obey the orders of Nanking on certain conditions.—*Nam Chung Pao.*
Hankow, Apr. 11.
Feng Yu-shiang has followed up the sending of delegates by a telegram reiterating his loyalty to the Government and stating that he is at present waiting for further orders.
Ma Fu-shiang is retreating northward to-day.—*Reuter.*
Shanghai, Apr. 11.
A message from Taiyuan says Yen Hsi-shan had gone to Wuai to visit his father, and after a short stay is leaving for Peking from Taiyuan.
All the national revenue collected in Shansi, Charhar and Suiyuan hereafter will be remitted direct to the Ministry of Finance, as the result of an agreement between Yen Hsi-shan and Mr. T. V. Soong.—*Reuter.*

NOTED CONSERVATIVE PARLIAMENTARIAN.

SIR LESLIE SCOTT NOT SEEKING RE-ELECTION.

London, Apr. 11.
Sir Leslie Scott, Conservative M.P. for the Exchange Division of Liverpool, who was Solicitor-General in the Coalition Government, has decided not to seek Re-election at the forthcoming General Election, on grounds of ill-health.
Sir Leslie Scott is one of the most eminent members of the Bar, and his loss will be felt by his party. His Chairmanship and membership of a number of war-time committees set up to deal with questions of reconstruction, agriculture, housing, and electricity, etc., indicate the part he has taken in public affairs.—*British Wireless.*

FINE WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone N. or W. covers South China and Tongking; pressure is also high to the North-east of Japan. Depressions are situated to the North of Shantung and to the West of the Bonins. Moderate monsoon will prevail over the N. China Sea. The local forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North East winds, moderate; fine.

CLOSING APPEAL FOR MINERS.

FURTHER DONATION TO LOCAL FUND.

GRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF THE DISTRESS IN WALES.

HOW HONGKONG HELPS

We are pleased to announce today the receipt of a further welcome donation to the British Miners' Fund, this being a cheque for \$50 from a well-known resident who signs himself "Rasluck." We thank him for his gift which brings the total so far received by the Telegraph to \$6,783.00 and £2 16s.
As the Telegraph has been closed on the 20th of this month, so that the final draft may be cabled home in time for inclusion in the Lord Mayor's Fund, we appeal to residents who have not yet subscribed, of help in swelling the Hongkong contribution to as large a sum as possible.

Local Efforts.

It is gratifying to feel that additions to the Fund are assured as the result of quite a number of local efforts. The A.D.C. show, "The Dover Road," will, it is hoped, yield quite a goodly sum. The final performances take place to-night and to-morrow, and we understand that there are still a few seats to be disposed of.

Another effort from which the Fund will benefit is the production of scenes from "The Pilgrim's Progress" by scholars of the Young People's Service in connexion with St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. The first performances of this attractive production took place in St. Andrew's Hall on Tuesday, the tickets for which were sold out a week before the event, and the Hall, which has a normal seating capacity of 225 housed nearly 300. A repeat performance is to be given on Monday at 6 p.m., and the proceeds of both productions, less expenses, are to be given to the Miners' Fund. The scenes are being produced by Mrs. J. H. Hunt, the Superintendent of the Young People's Service, and they are well worth seeing. Tickets are only 30 cents each.

The dance at the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club's room on Wednesday was extremely well attended, and we hope shortly to announce the sum received therefrom.

Members of the Institution of Shipbuilders and Engineers are collecting on behalf of the Fund, and the list there closes on the 15th instant.

Need for Help.

Hongkong now has only about a fortnight in which to add the Fund, and it is to be hoped that more money will come in during this period. Of the necessity for help, there can be no question. A correspondent who has visited a relief centre in Wales gives a graphic picture of conditions prevailing. Below are some extracts from his notes:

Here is the case of the Rev. T. S.—he is asking for food and clothes for his family and work for his sixteen-year-old son. Here is the case of a grandmother, daughter, and schoolboy grandson, living on 8s. 6d. a week—the rent being 7s.—here is a report on J.G.: "Has never had any work since leaving school. No Unemployment Pay. No Parish Relief. Lives on the charity of his landlady."

Case-sheet after case-sheet reports: "This young man has no income of any kind"—and we know, with the regulations of Poor Law authorities and Lord Mayor's Fund in our minds, that this is only too true. One wonders whether these young men between eighteen and thirty will have the stamina to "proceed to work" if by God's good grace they ever have the chance—still more one wonders whether one in a hundred would be passed by the emigration authorities as "medically fit."

Chain of Vouchers.

Thoughts such as these pass through our minds as we sit and write an interminable chain of vouchers—pink vouchers for clothing, yellow for milk, blue for groceries. Five-shilling money vouchers are the general rule—though some districts reduce this sum to 4s. in order to make the money go further. Until lately, too, the men working in the boot repair depots (unskilled men, who have nevertheless repaired the children's boots with astonishing aptitude) were rewarded only with a 2s. 6d. voucher weekly, an occasional gift of "broken biscuits" and clothing outfits for themselves and their families at some time during their working career. Latterly, their grocery vouchers have been increased

PROMOTIONS IN THE ARMY.

MAJ.-GEN. WARDROP TO BE LIEUT. GENERAL.

A FUTURE VACANCY.

London, Apr. 11.
The War Office has announced that Major-General A. E. Wardrop, now on his way to England on vacating his appointment as General Officer Commanding North China Command, has been selected for promotion to rank of Lieutenant-General into a vacancy that will occur in the near future.

Major-General Wardrop served with great distinction in the War being mentioned in despatches nine times, and receiving many decorations, British and foreign.
From 1923 to 1927 he was G.O.C. Lahore District, India. He is an authority on big game hunting, among his publications being "Modern Pig-Sticking" and "Days and Nights with Indian Big Game."

The War Office also announced that among those selected for promotion to Major-General into vacancies that will occur in the next few months is Brig-General R. J. T. Hildyard, at present commanding the 2nd Rhine Brigade, British Army of the Rhine.—*British Wireless.*

ADMIRAL OF FLEET RETIRES.

LORD WESTER WEMYSS REACHES AGE LIMIT.

London, Apr. 11.
Admiral of the Fleet Lord Wester Wemyss has retired under the age limit. He attains his 65th birthday to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

Third son of the late Mr. J. H. Erskine Wemyss of Wemyss Castle, Fife, he entered the Royal Navy in 1877, becoming Lieutenant ten years later, Commander in 1898, and Captain in 1901.

He was Rear-Admiral of the 2nd Battle Squadron in the year immediately prior to the outbreak of the War, in which he served with distinction.

His most notable feat was in connexion with the landing of troops at Gallipoli in 1915. He was commanding one of the naval squadrons, and was mentioned in despatches, later being awarded the K.C.B. for his services.

He was created G.C.B. in 1918, and was raised to the Peerage in the following year.

CONSTABLE SENT TO PRISON.

TOOK FRENCH LEAVE FROM FORCE.

Charged with desertion from the Police Force, at the Police Court this morning, Wong Tsun, Chinese constable C517, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

The prosecution stated that the prisoner joined the Force on June 1, 1926, and deserted on December 11, 1927.

All the prisoner could state in reply to the charge was that he had taken "French leave."

THE U.S.S. TULSA.

PAYS HER FIRST VISIT TO CANTON.

The U.S.S. Tulsa arrived in Canton on Wednesday afternoon. This vessel is new to the China Station, though she is exactly similar in every detail to the U.S.S. Asheville which is well known in Hongkong and Canton, having been here for several years.

Both the U.S.S. Tulsa and the U.S.S. Asheville were built at Charleston, S. Carolina, the Tulsa in 1922 and the Asheville in 1918.

The Tulsa fired a salute on Thursday morning when Consul-General Jenkins went on board.

to 5s. They are glad, as who would not be?

But the spirit with which they work is one with the spirit that seems to animate the voluntary workers at the Centre—a spirit of thankfulness for having work to do that will take them out of themselves, and make them forget to look into the grey and cheerless future.

Circumstances are forcing them to live from day to day—to take vouchers when they can get them, and to say Kismet; but Heaven forbid that we in the office, or in the world outside, should look at it like that.

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